

STUDY ABROAD



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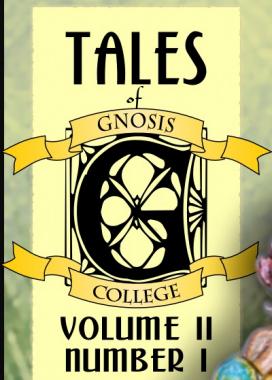
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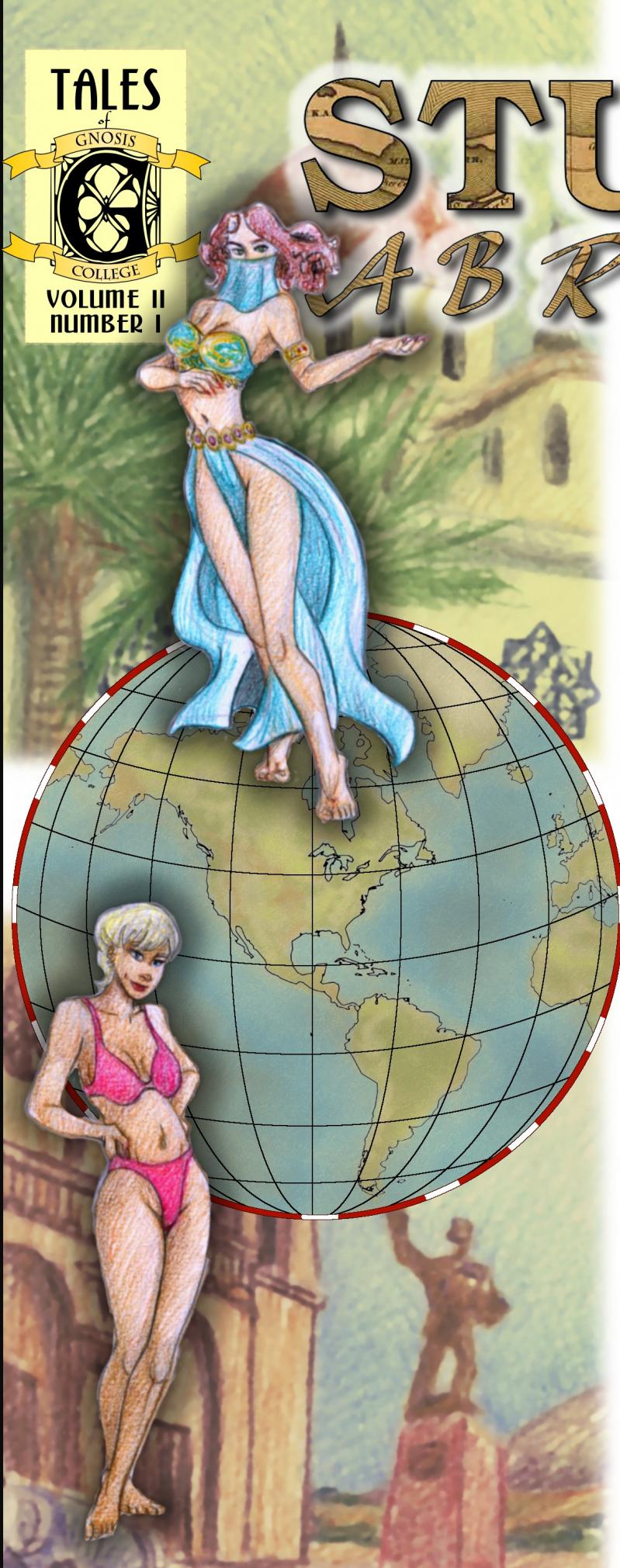
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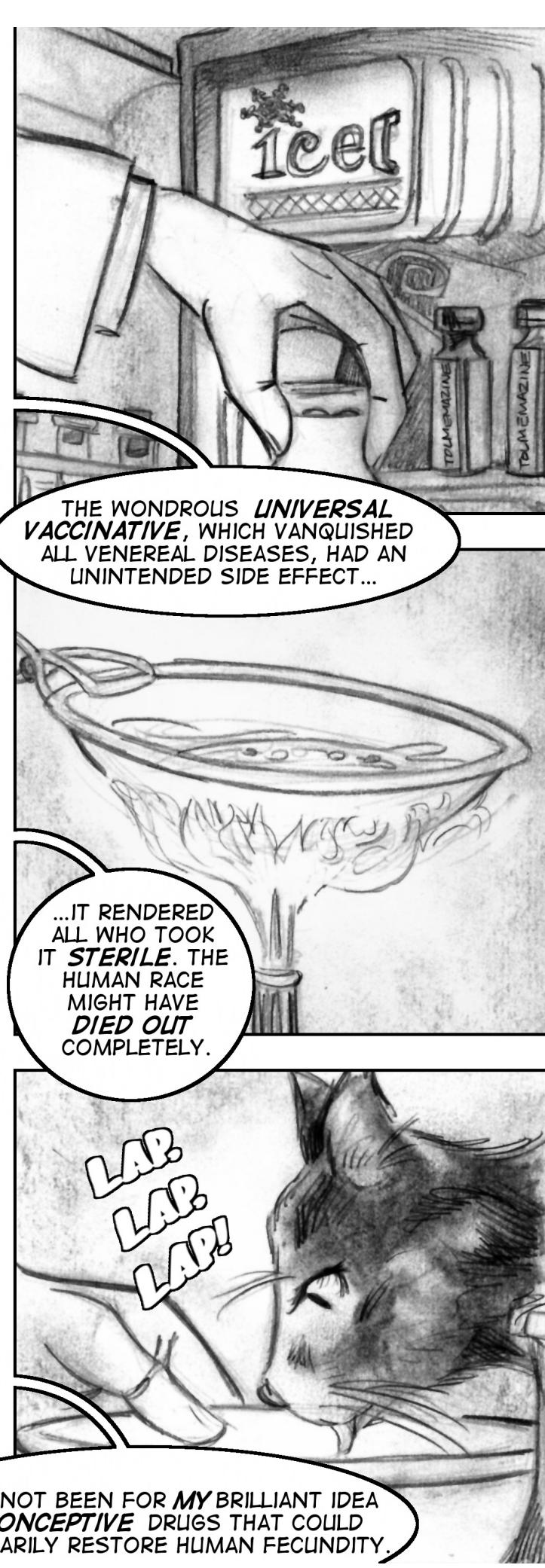
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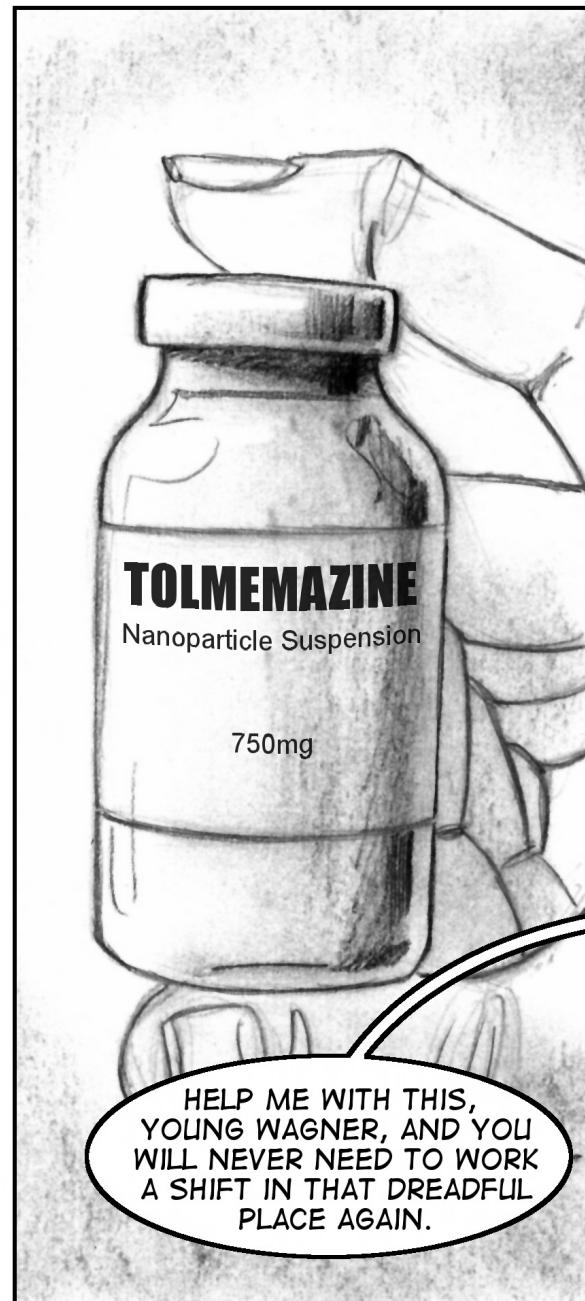
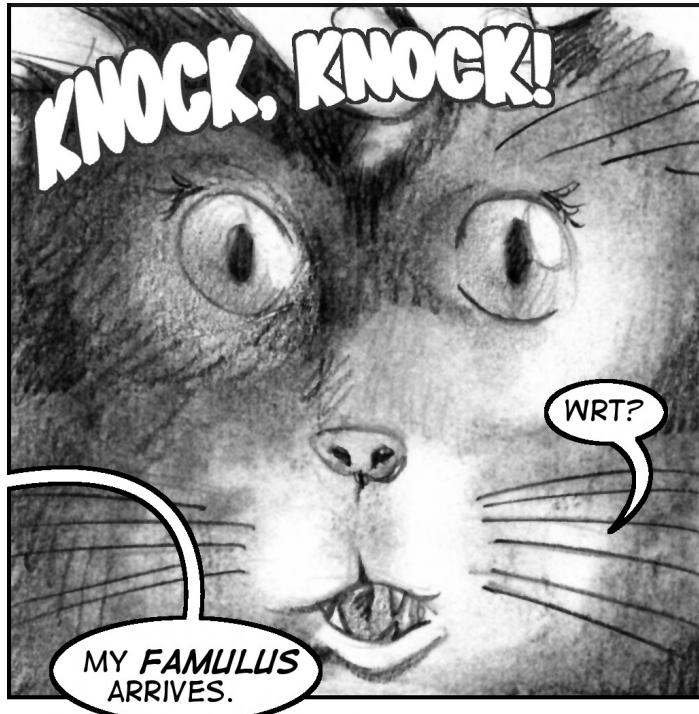
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A *NOBEL PRIZE*!

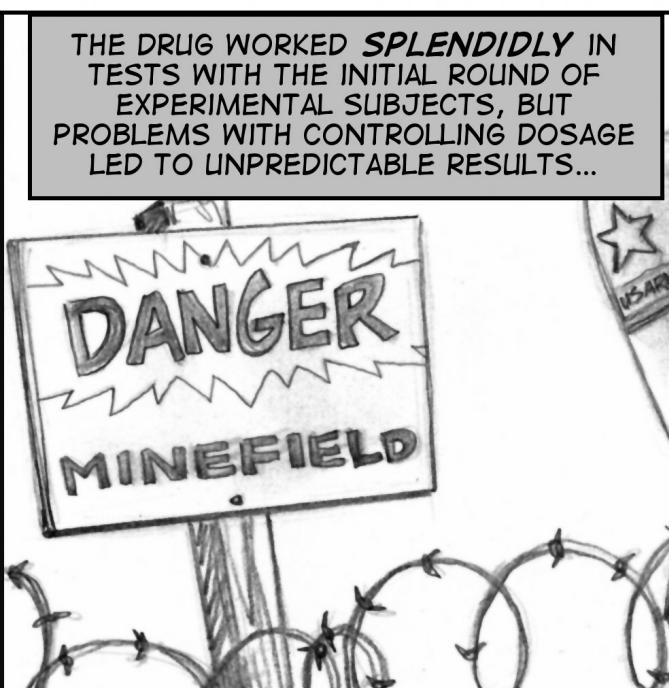
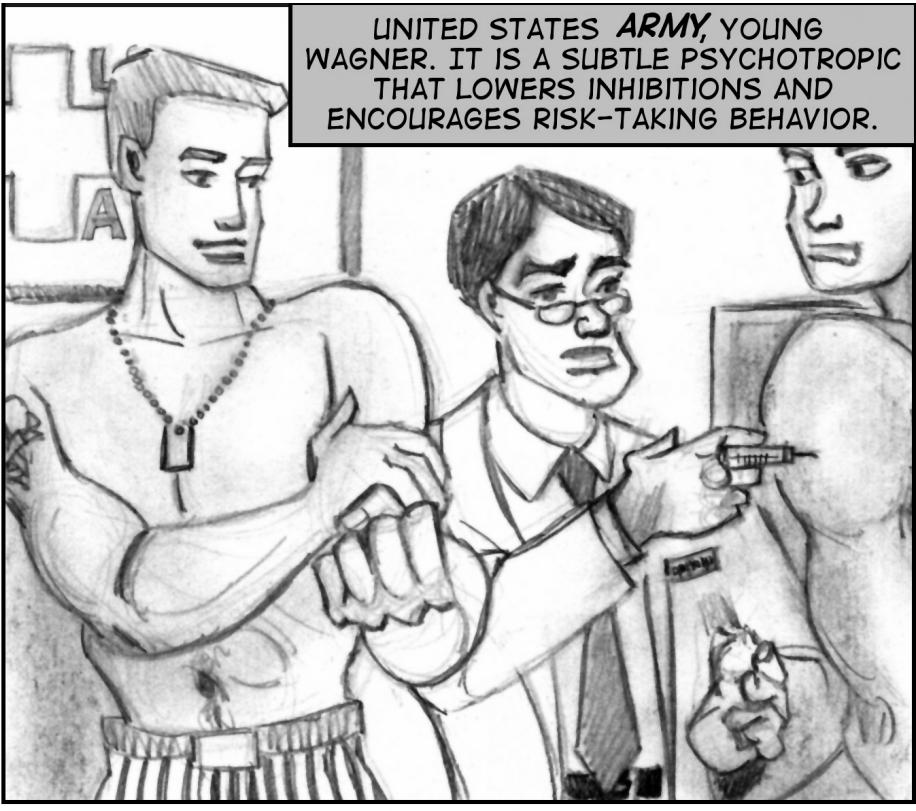
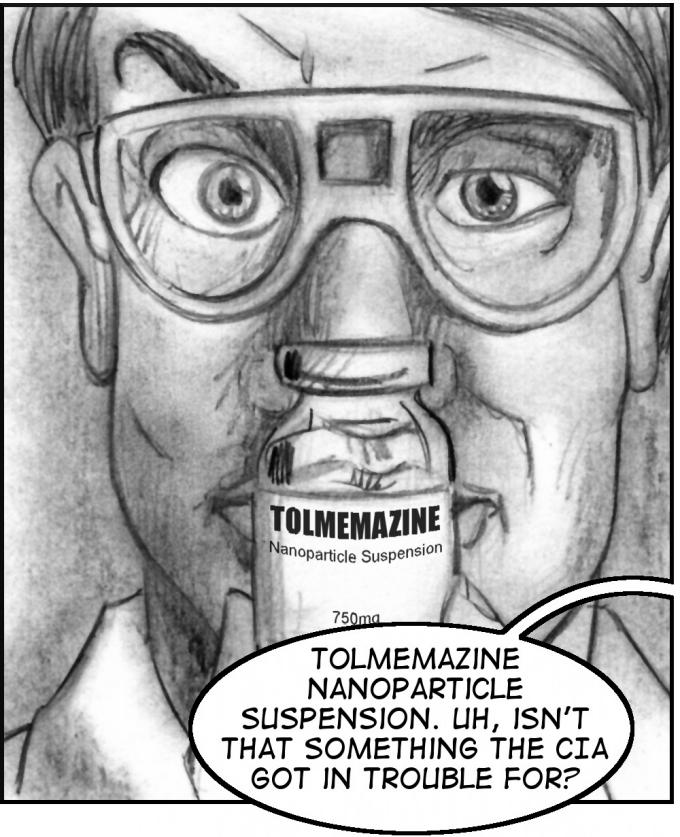
HAD WEALTH
BEYOND THE
DREAMS OF
AVARICE!

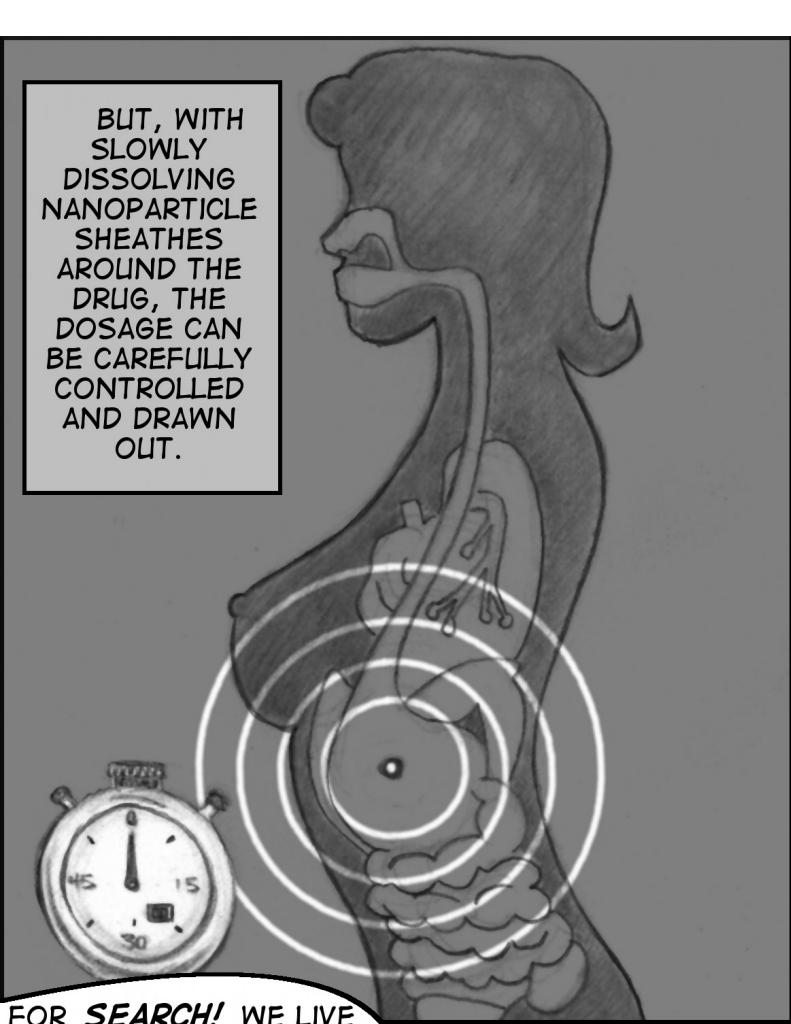
AND WOULD HAVE,
WERE IT NOT FOR
THOSE MEDDLING
INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY
LAWYERS.

"STUDY ABROAD"
CHAPTER 1

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BUT, WITH SLOWLY DISSOLVING NANOPARTICLE SHEATHES AROUND THE DRUG, THE DOSAGE CAN BE CAREFULLY CONTROLLED AND DRAWN OUT.



THIS FINE INSTITUTION SENDS
MANY STUDENTS AWAY TO EXOTIC
PLACES FOR A SEMESTER OR A YEAR.

GOVERNANCE

Philosophy



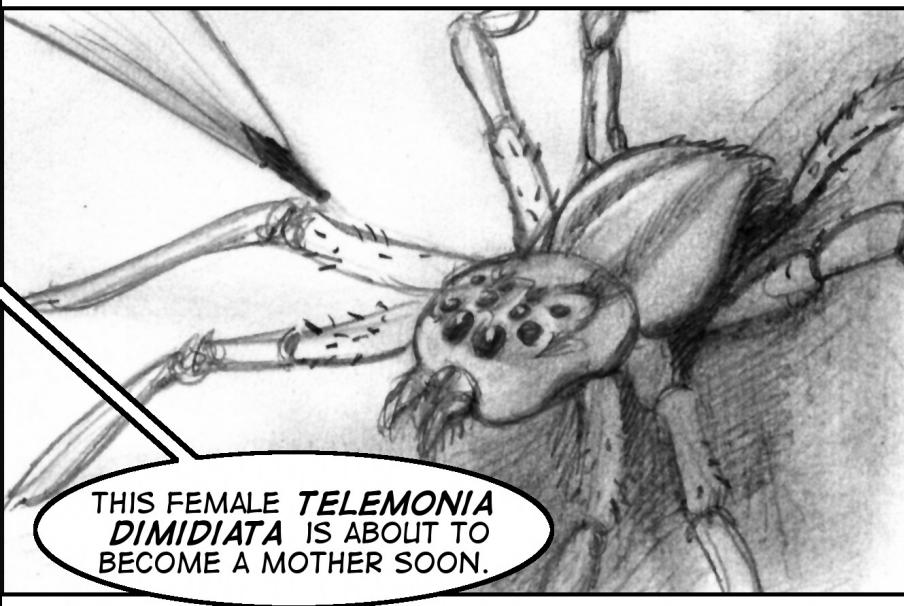
WITH YOUR ACCESS TO SO
MUCH STUDENT FOOD
AND DRINK, YOU WOULD
BE WELL PLACED TO HELP
ME....RECRUIT SOME BOLD
EXPLORERS.

GEE, I
REALY
DON'T...

I UNDERSTAND THAT
EMPLOYMENT
PROSPECTS FOR
LITERATURE MAJORS
ARE SOMEWHAT
BLEAK THESE DAYS.





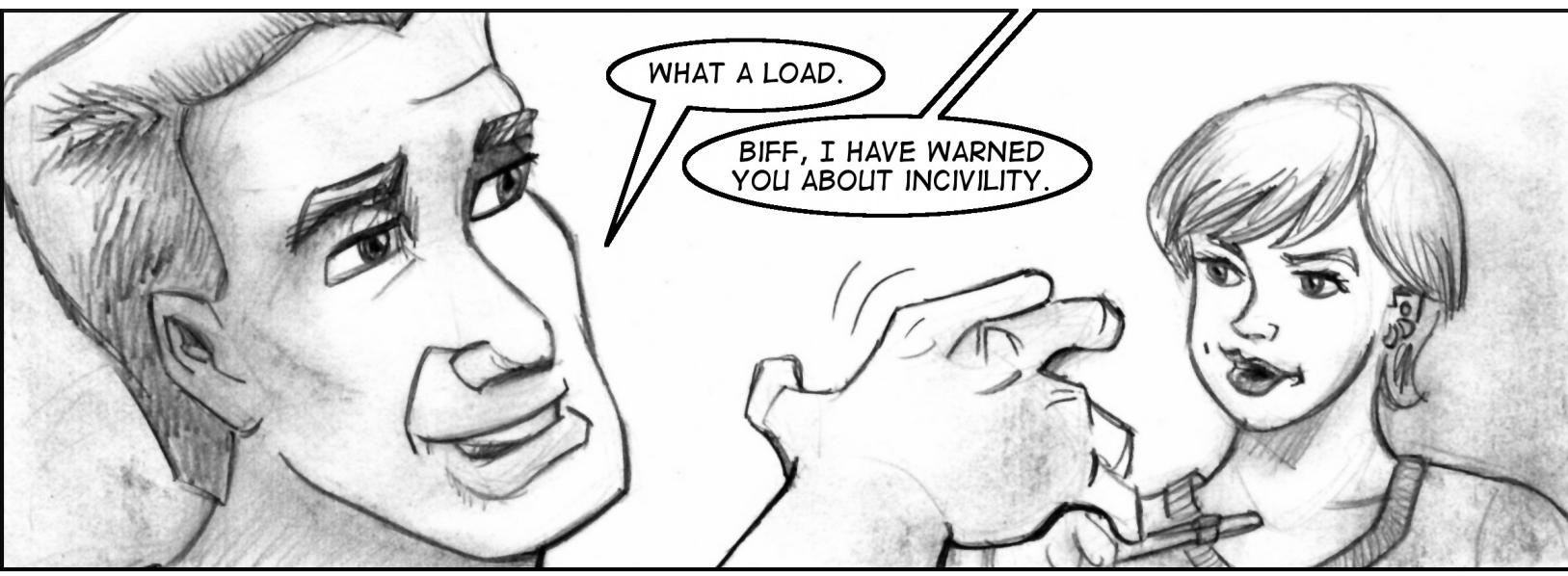




KANT-DOYLE DEMOCRATIC PEACE HYPOTHESIS

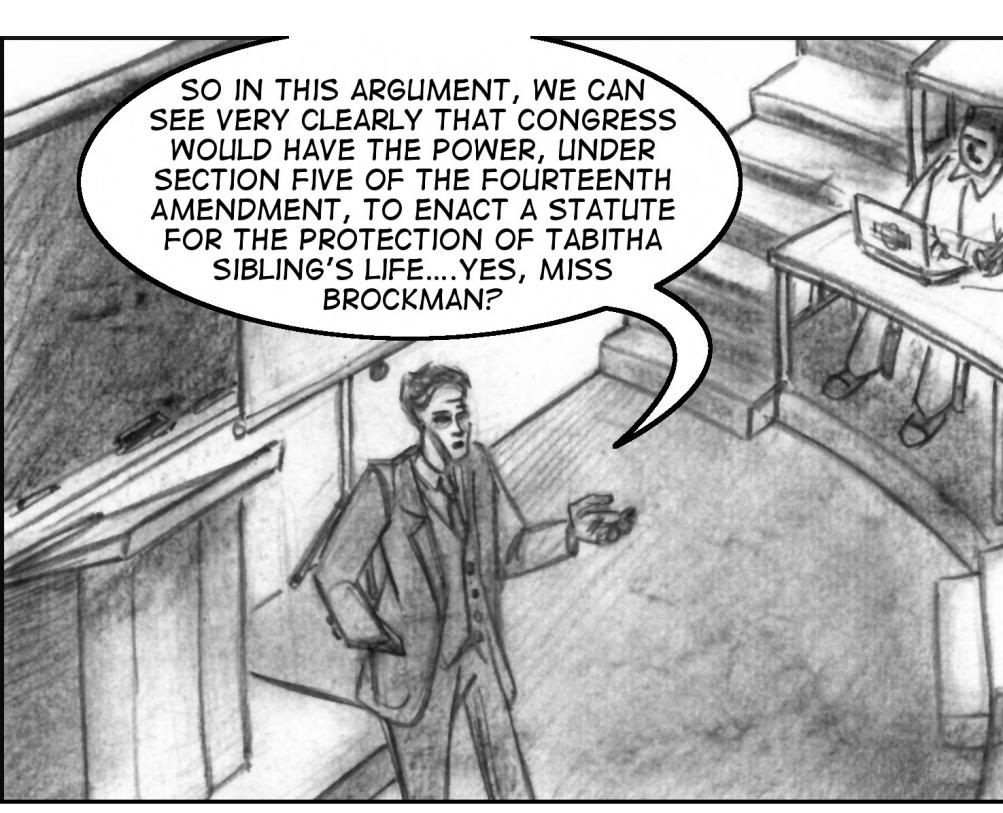
LIBERALISM
REALISM
DEMOCRACY

GIVEN DOYLE'S HYPOTHESIS, I FAIL TO SEE A CONTRADICTION BETWEEN HUMAN RIGHTS AND A REASONABLE NATIONAL SECURITY AGENDA.



YEAH, WELL THE WAY I SEE IT, IN THESE CRAPPY LITTLE COUNTRIES THERE'S JUST THE ASSHOLES THAT WORK FOR US, AND A BUNCH OF COMMIES AND TERRORISTS.

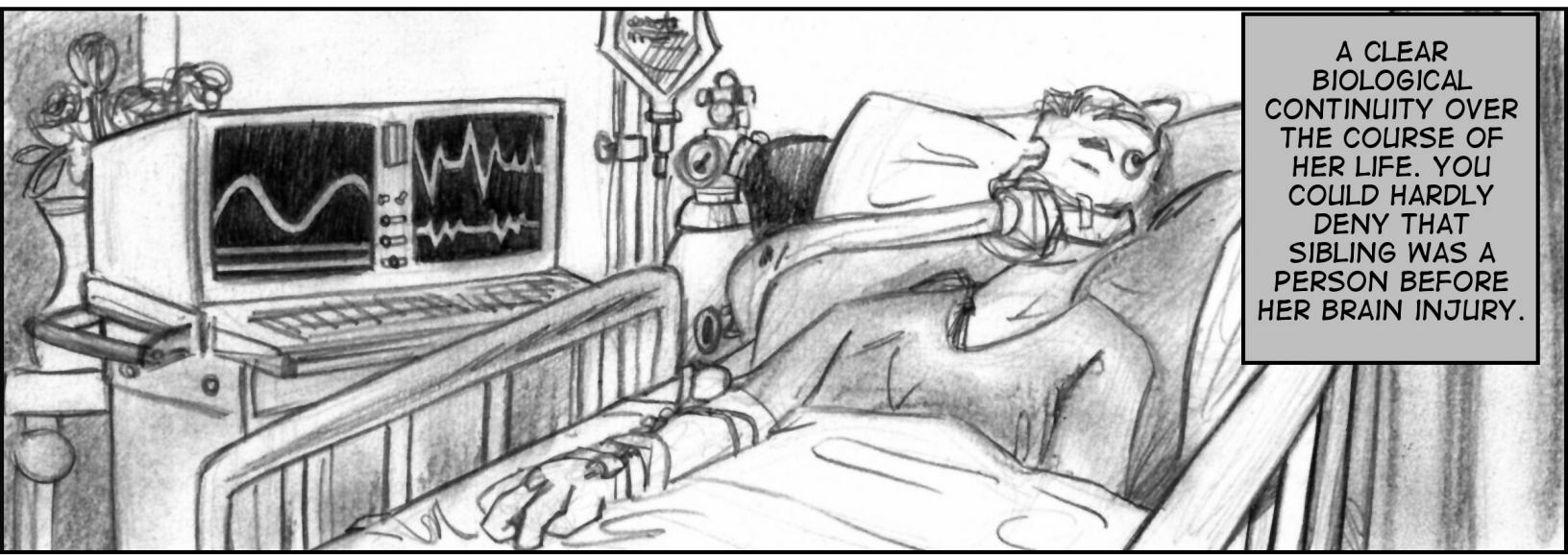




SO IN THIS ARGUMENT, WE CAN SEE VERY CLEARLY THAT CONGRESS WOULD HAVE THE POWER, UNDER SECTION FIVE OF THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT, TO ENACT A STATUTE FOR THE PROTECTION OF TABITHA SIBLING'S LIFE....YES, MISS BROCKMAN?



ON WHAT GROUNDS COULD SIBLING BE CONSIDERED A "PERSON" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL TEXT?



SUCH A
METAPHYSICAL
THEORY WOULD
SEEM HARDLY
CONSISTENT WITH
THE ORIGINAL
UNDERSTANDING OF
THE DRAFTERS OF
THE AMENDMENT.

BUT COULDN'T THERE
BE SCIENTIFIC OR
EXPERIMENTAL
EVIDENCE COMPELLING
ENOUGH TO A COURT...

THAT SOUNDS A
LITTLE *SCIENCE
FICTIONAL* FOR A
HUMBLE ACADEMIC
LAWYER LIKE ME,
I'M AFRAID.

PERHAPS WE
SHOULD MOVE ON.



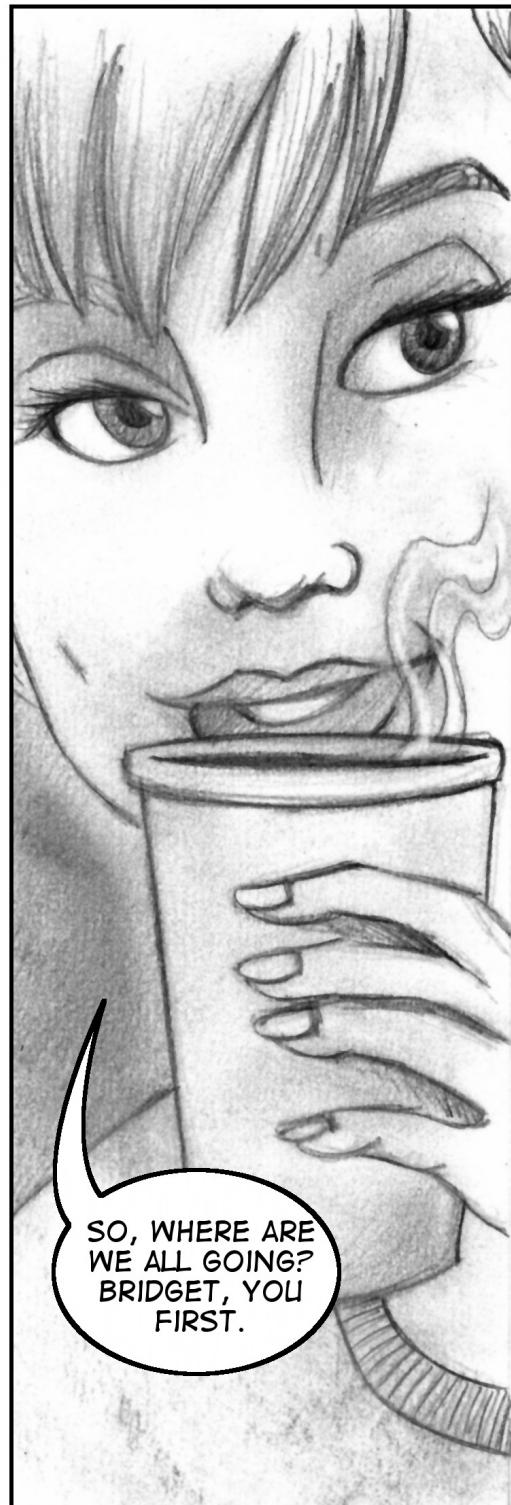
HOWEVER FINE THE GNOSIS
FACILITY AND FACILITIES ARE, THERE
ARE FORMS OF LEARNING THAT
CANNOT BE REPLICATED HERE.



AS YOU GO ABROAD FOR YOUR
STUDIES, KEEP IN MIND THAT YOU
LEARN NOT JUST BY **OBSERVING**
THAT WHICH IS DIFFERENT...



...BUT BY
EMBRACING IT!



I'M GOING TO MUNAI,
WHERE I'M SUPPOSED TO
STUDY LIFE AMONG THE
NEWLY ULTRA-RICH.

WHAT ABOUT
YOU, CLEO?

I'VE GOT A SPOT ON
PROFESSOR JONES'S
NORTH BORNEO
EXPEDITION. WE'RE
LOOKING FOR NEW
SPECIES WITH
POSSIBLE
PHARMACOLOGICAL
VALUE.

TAKE CARE NOT
TO GET LOST!

JILL?

DEVELOPMENT STUDY
WORK IN THE REPUBLIC
OF MONTE BLANCO.

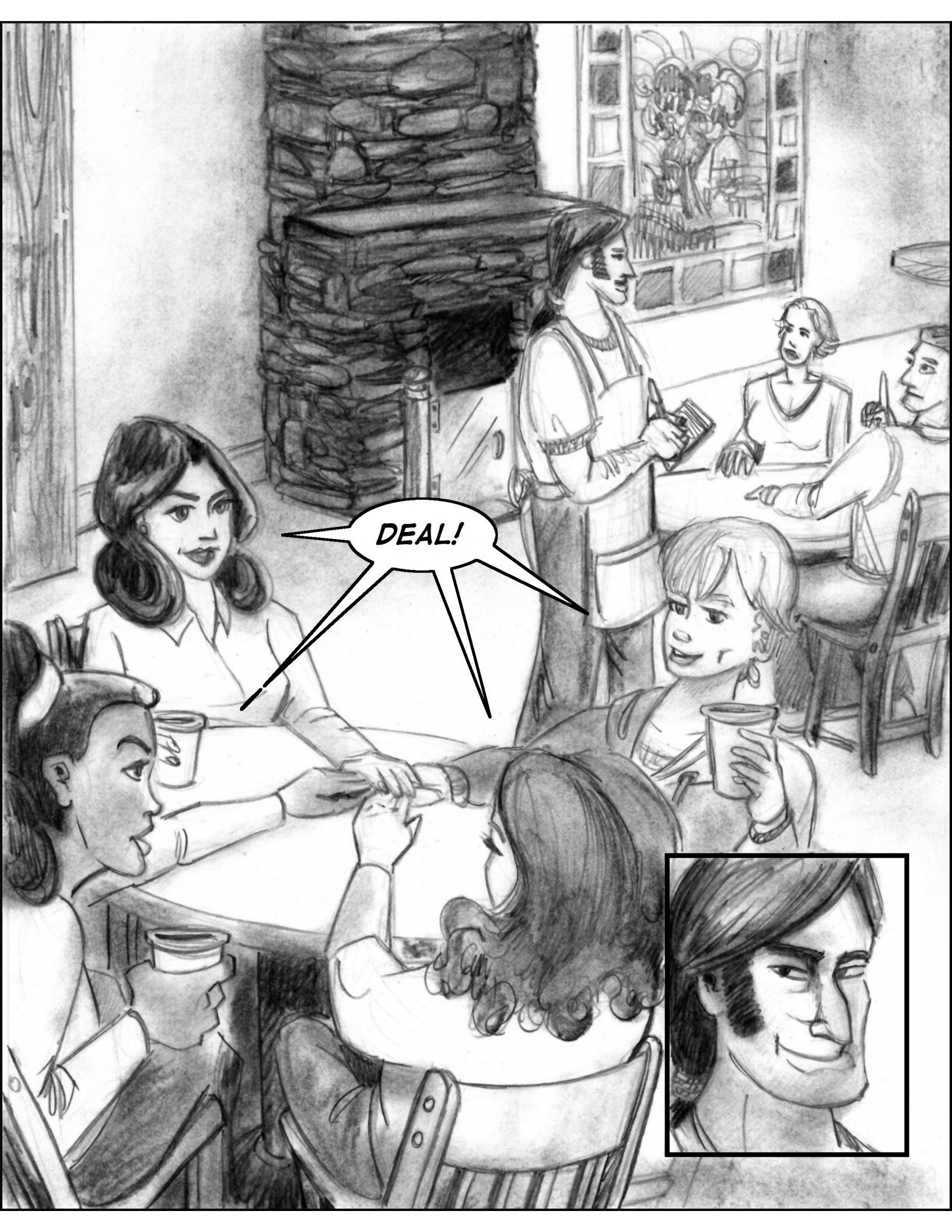
I HEAR THEY
HAVE **PROBLEMS**
DOWN THERE.

I WANT TO HELP
SOLVE
PROBLEMS
DOWN THERE.

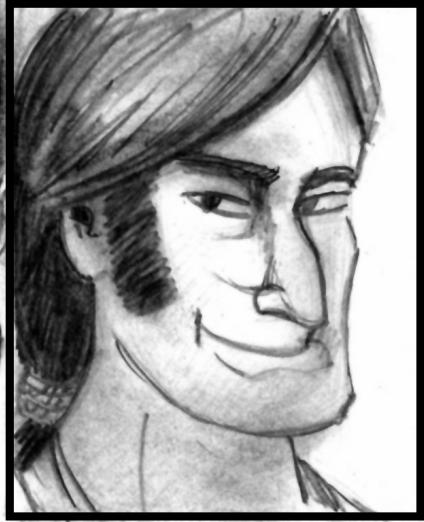
IRIS?

TOKYO. GENERAL STUDY AT
THE UNIVERSITY. I ADMIT IT
HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MY
SUPPOSED AREA OF STUDY,
BUT THE LANGUAGE IS HARD
AND I *DO* LOVE A CHALLENGE.





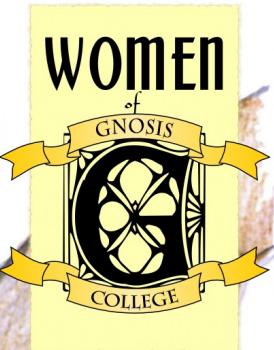
DEAL!



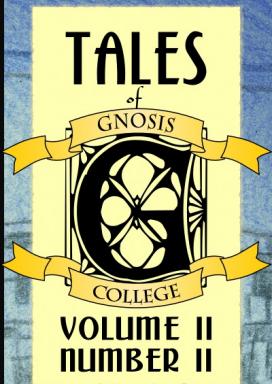
ONE YEAR LATER...

SO, LADIES. IT WOULD
APPEAR THAT WELL ALL AT
LEAST **SURVIVED**. TIME
TO TRADE STORIES...





DONNA NELSON, A GIRL
BRIDGET O'BRIAN WILL MEET
ABROAD, WHOSE
ADVENTUROUSNESS EQUALS
BRIDGET'S OWN, SHOWS US A
PLAYFUL MOMENT.

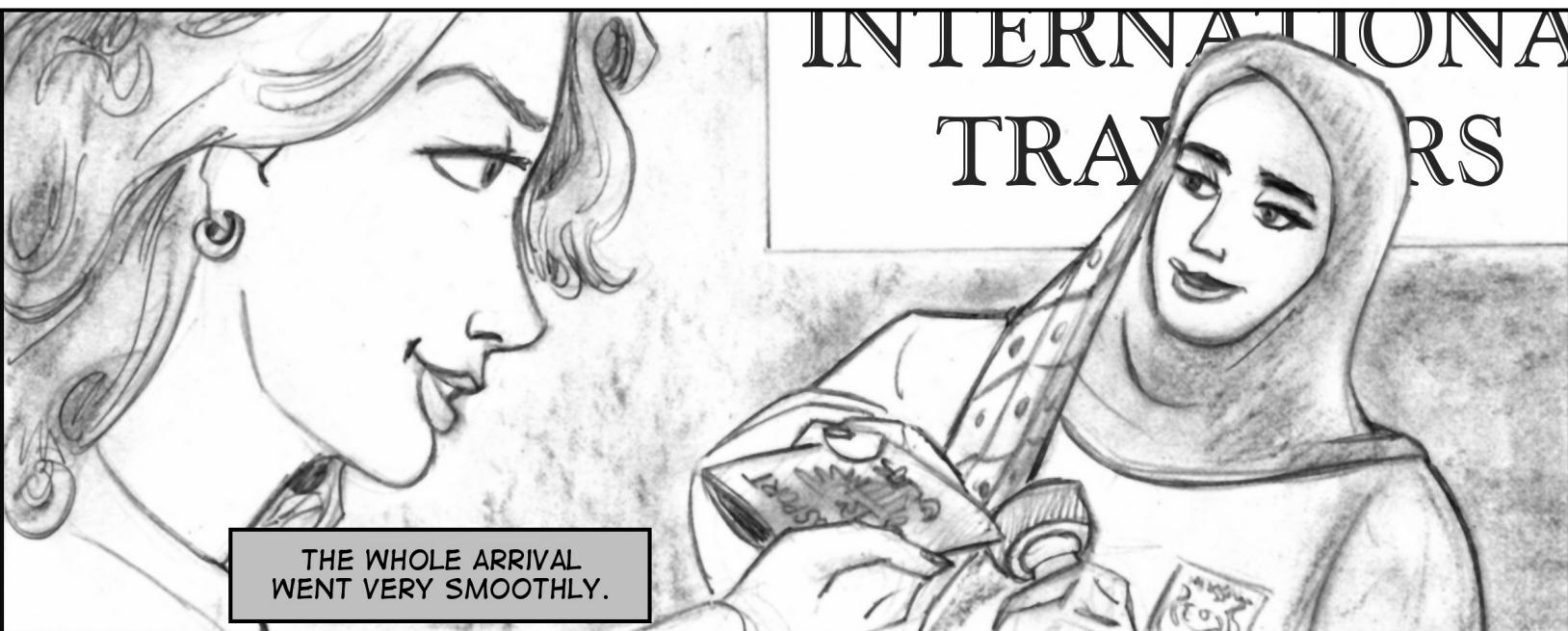


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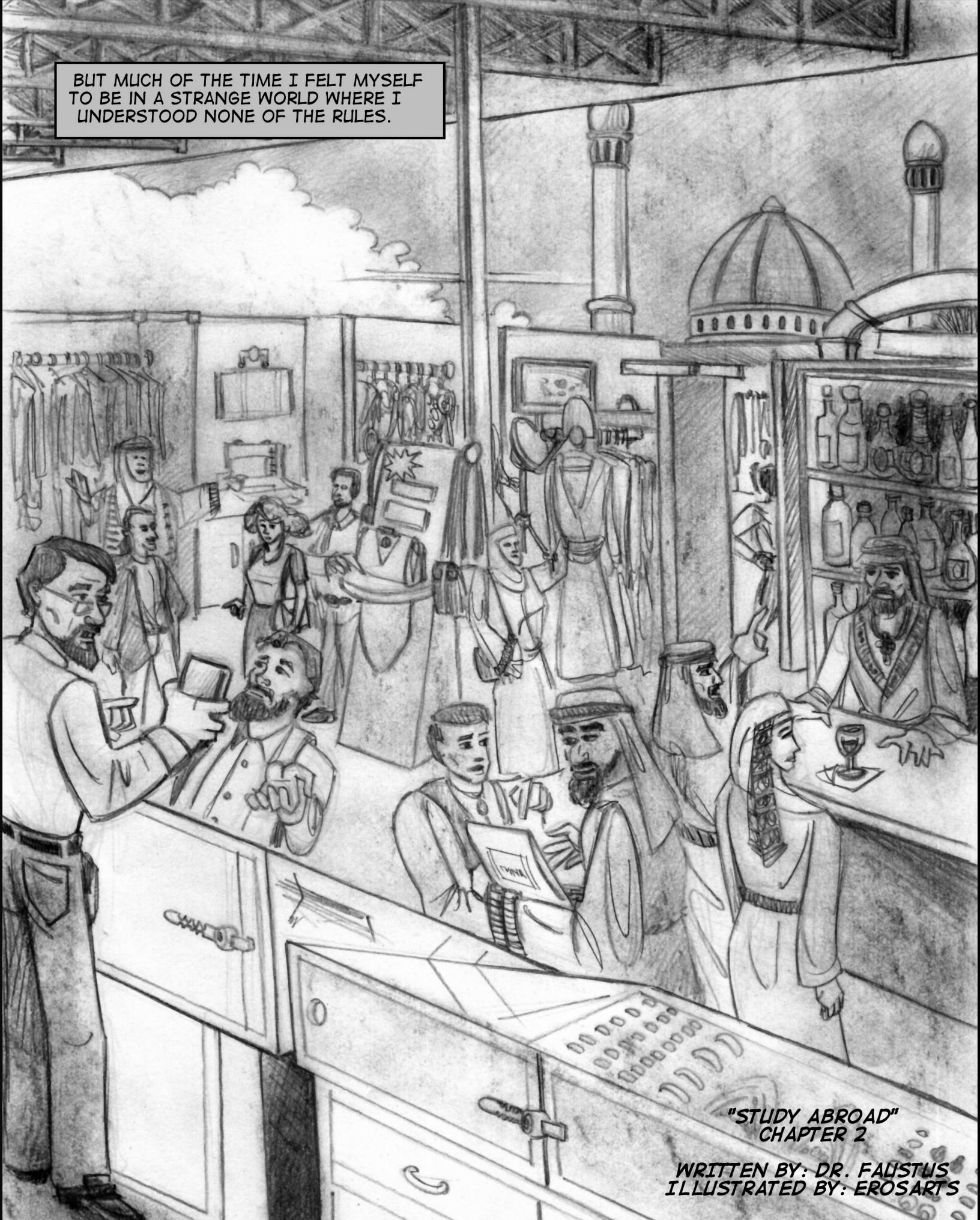


O D A L I S Q U E

HAVING DONE THEIR RESPECTIVE STUDIES ABROAD, BRIDGET, CLEO, JILL, AND IRIS MEET TO TRADE STORIES...AND DECIDE WHOSE IS THE MOST OUTRAGEOUS.

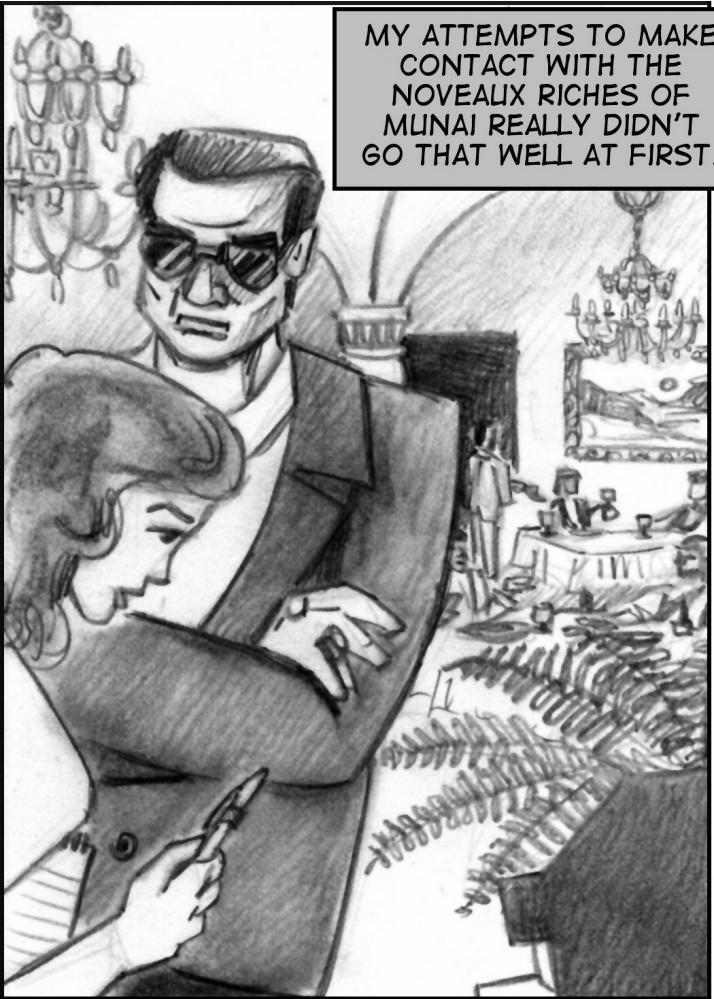


BUT MUCH OF THE TIME I FELT MYSELF
TO BE IN A STRANGE WORLD WHERE I
UNDERSTOOD NONE OF THE RULES.



"STUDY ABROAD"
CHAPTER 2

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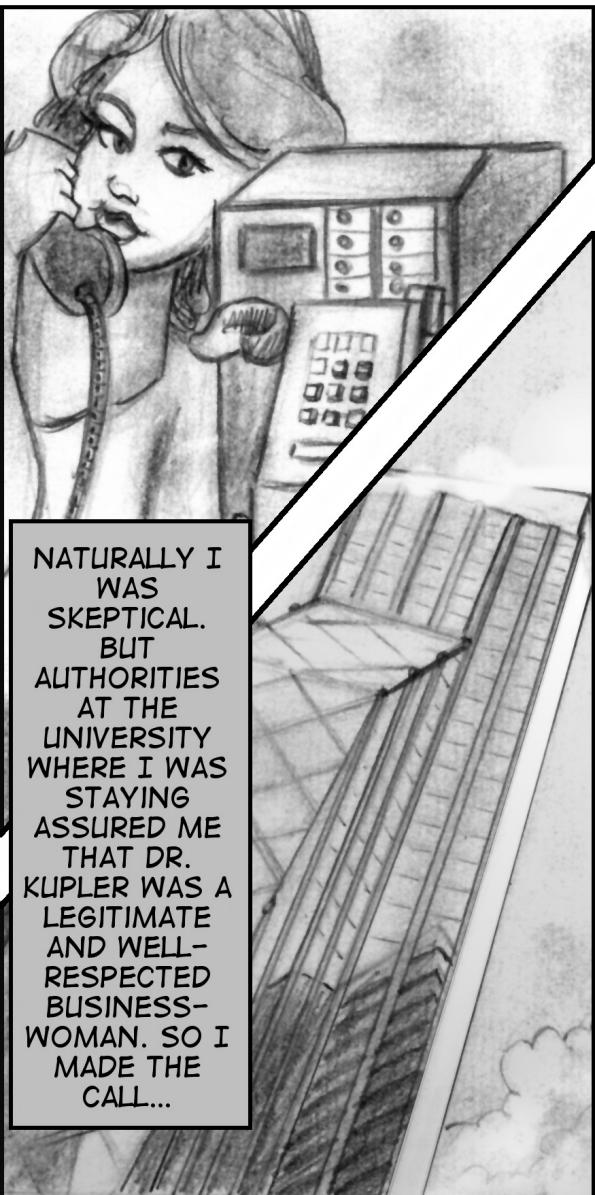
THEN MY LUCK
CHANGED
DRAMATICALLY.



SHE LISTENED SYMPATHETICALLY TO
MY TROUBLES IN GETTING TO KNOW
WEALTHY MUNAI PEOPLE, AND I
SHOULD CALL AND SHE COULD HELP.

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WE ARE IN THE BUSINESS OF RECRUITING **ATTRACTIVE** YOUNG PEOPLE TO PROVIDE SPECIALIZED ENTERTAINMENT TO ULTRA-HIGH NET WORTH CLIENTS HERE IN MUNAI.

CUSTOMIZED FANTASY ROLE PLAY, IF YOU WILL.

OH, I REALLY DON'T KNOW...

TZT! YOU DO NOT DO **ANYTHING** YOU DO NOT WANT TO.

WE HAVE **WAYS** OF MAKING SURE.

THIS IS A TINY BUT EXTREMELY **POWERFUL** TRANSMITTER. WE CAN RECEIVE ITS SIGNAL ALL OVER MUNAI.

YOU CAN POWER IT UP BY LICKING IT BEHIND YOUR EAR...LIKE SO.

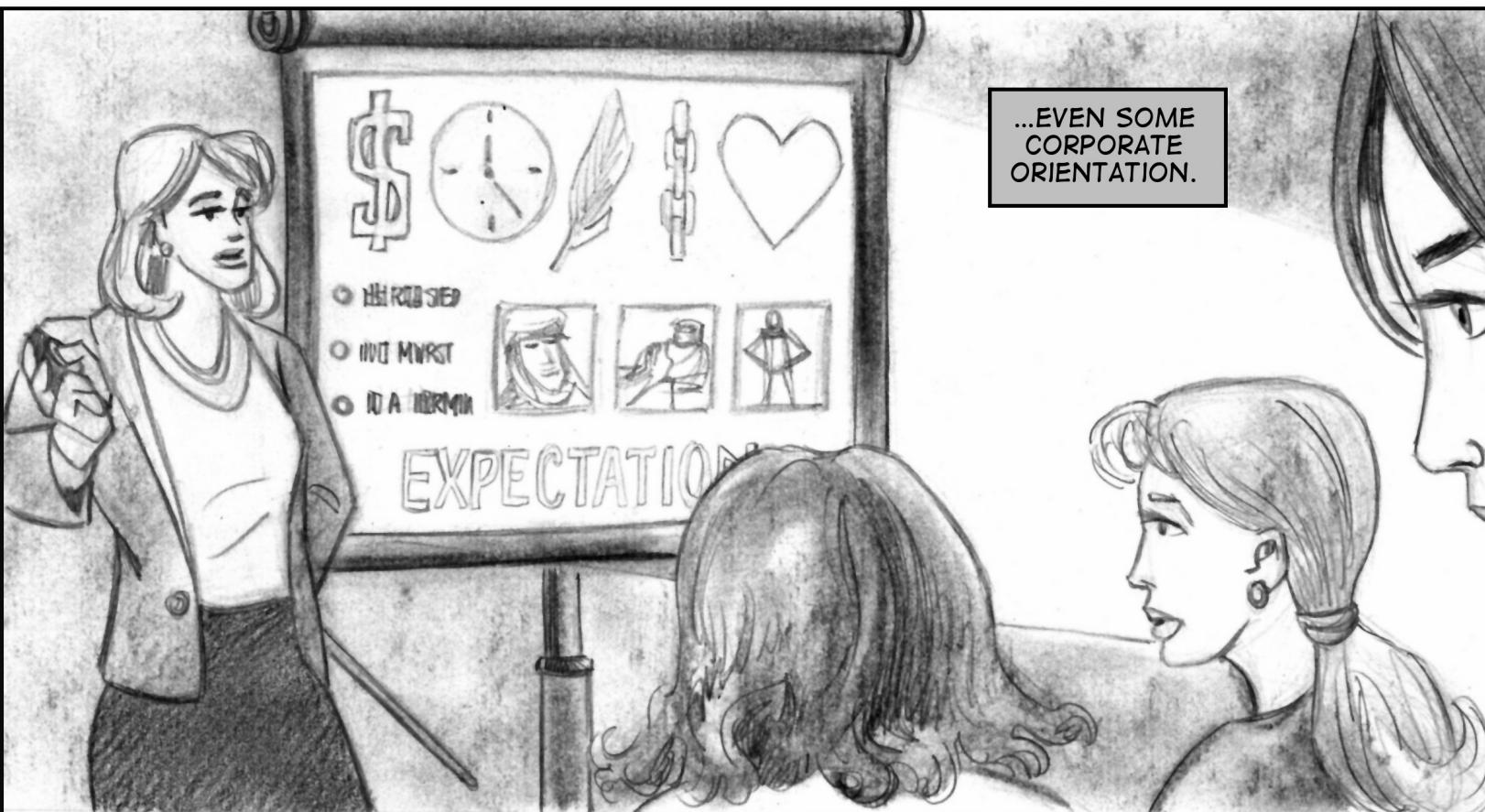
IT SUMMONS AID BY BEING KEYED TO A PASSPHRASE. YOURS IS "LUCID UNCLE ZEBRA." THE PHRASE FUNCTIONS AS A SAFEWORD. GO AHEAD. TRY IT.



I DECIDED TO
SIGN ON.



...EVEN SOME
CORPORATE
ORIENTATION.



FINALLY OUR
SERVICE BEGAN...
VERY DRAMATICALLY.

HI! I'M DONNA.

HI, I'M--

HENCEFORTH
YOU ARE ALL
SLAVES! STRIP!

CRACK!

SKY
BLUE
ICE!

FWOOP!
FWOOP!
FWOOP!
FWOOP!

VERY WELL,
MISS ROGERS.
YOU ARE
DISMISSED.

THE REST OF YOU
MUST MAKE YOUR
OWN CHOICES.

THERE WAS A MOMENT OF SHOCKED INACTION, THEN...

I'M GONNA.

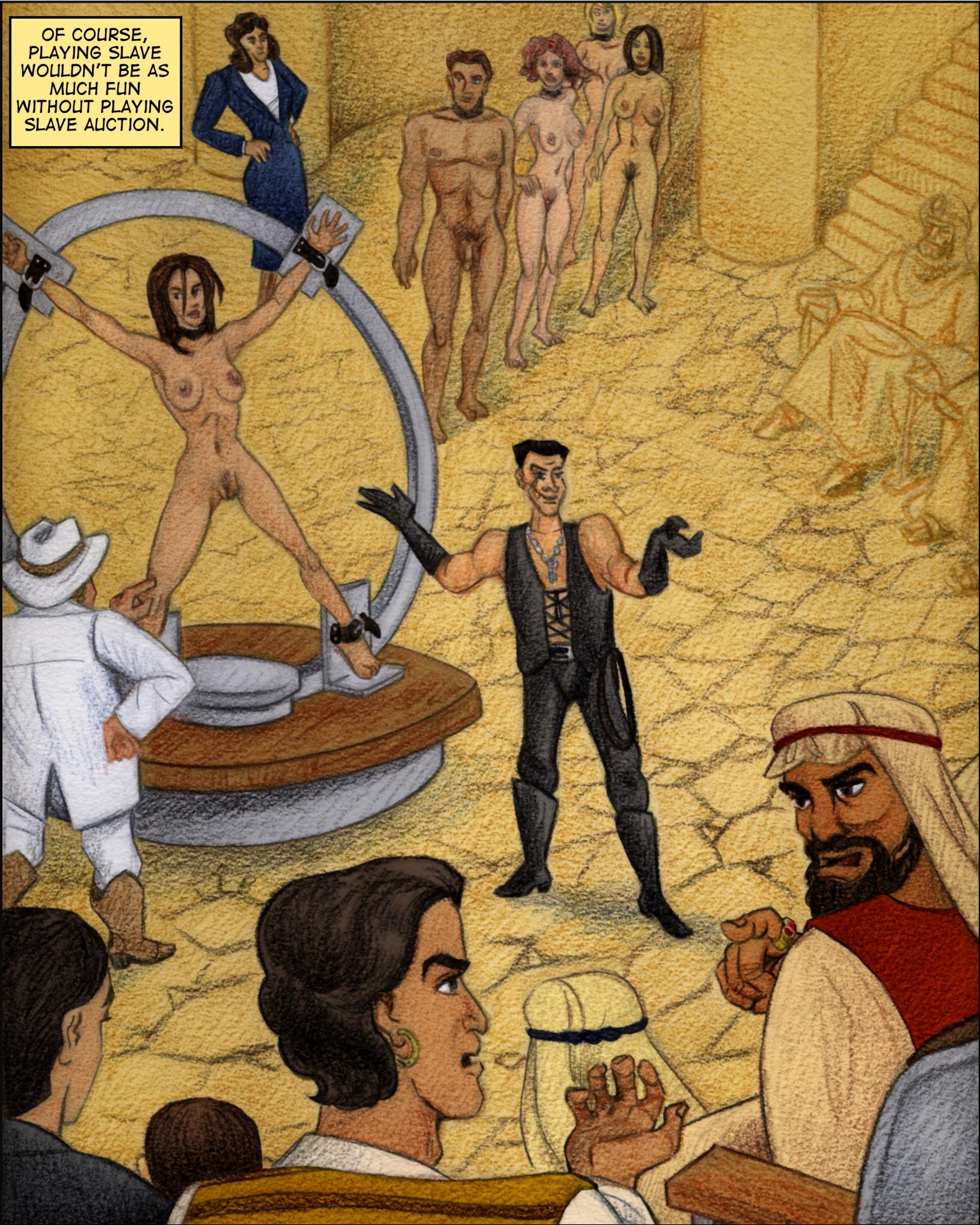
I'M NOT ASHAMED OF WHAT I LOOK LIKE, AND THIS FEELS LIKE AN ADVENTURE TO ME.

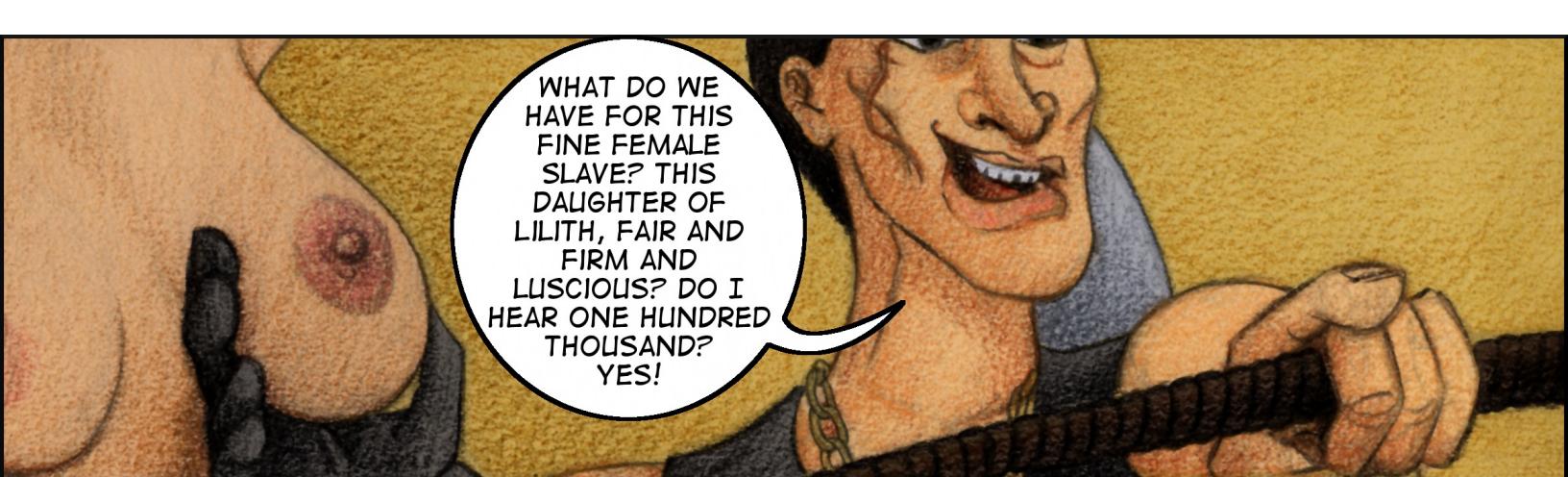
SUDDENLY IT FELT LIKE AN ADVENTURE TO ME, TOO.

THEN TO ALL OF US.

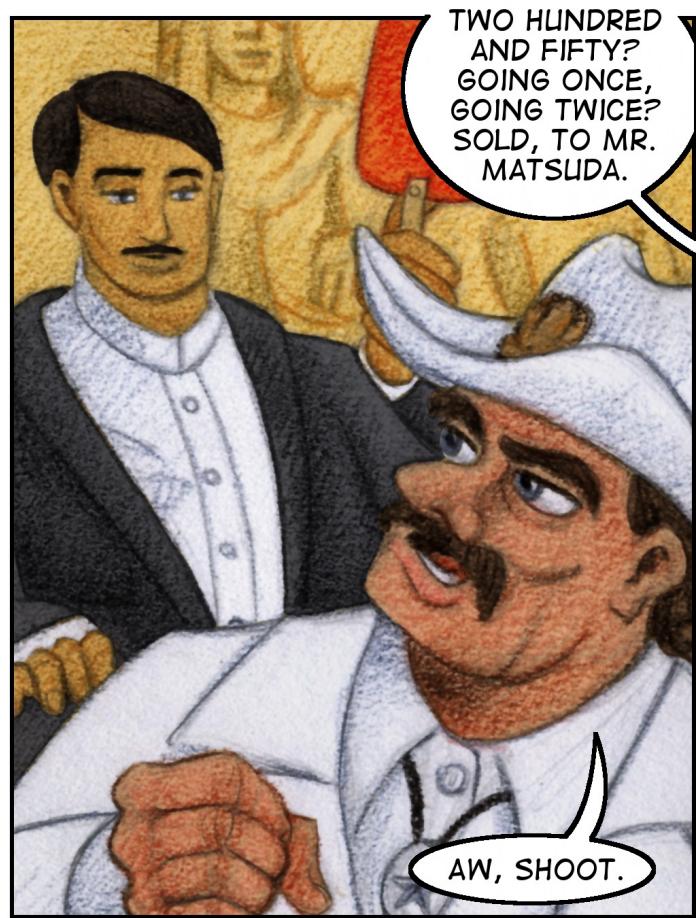
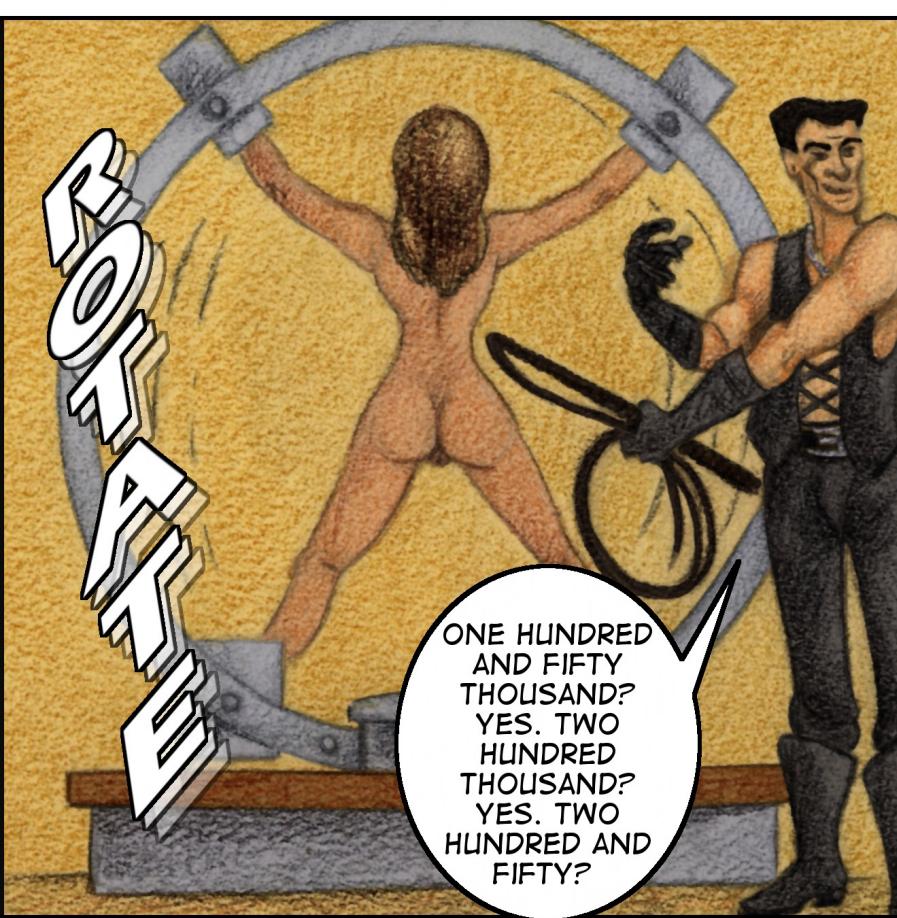
ANYTHING'S EASY WHEN EVERYONE DOES IT.

OF COURSE,
PLAYING SLAVE
WOULDN'T BE AS
MUCH FUN
WITHOUT PLAYING
SLAVE AUCTION.





WHAT DO WE
HAVE FOR THIS
FINE FEMALE
SLAVE? THIS
DAUGHTER OF
LILITH, FAIR AND
FIRM AND
LUSCIOUS? DO I
HEAR ONE HUNDRED
THOUSAND?
YES!





OUR NEXT SLAVE IS A
YOUNG ADONIS...

LOOK! HE IS
INTACT...

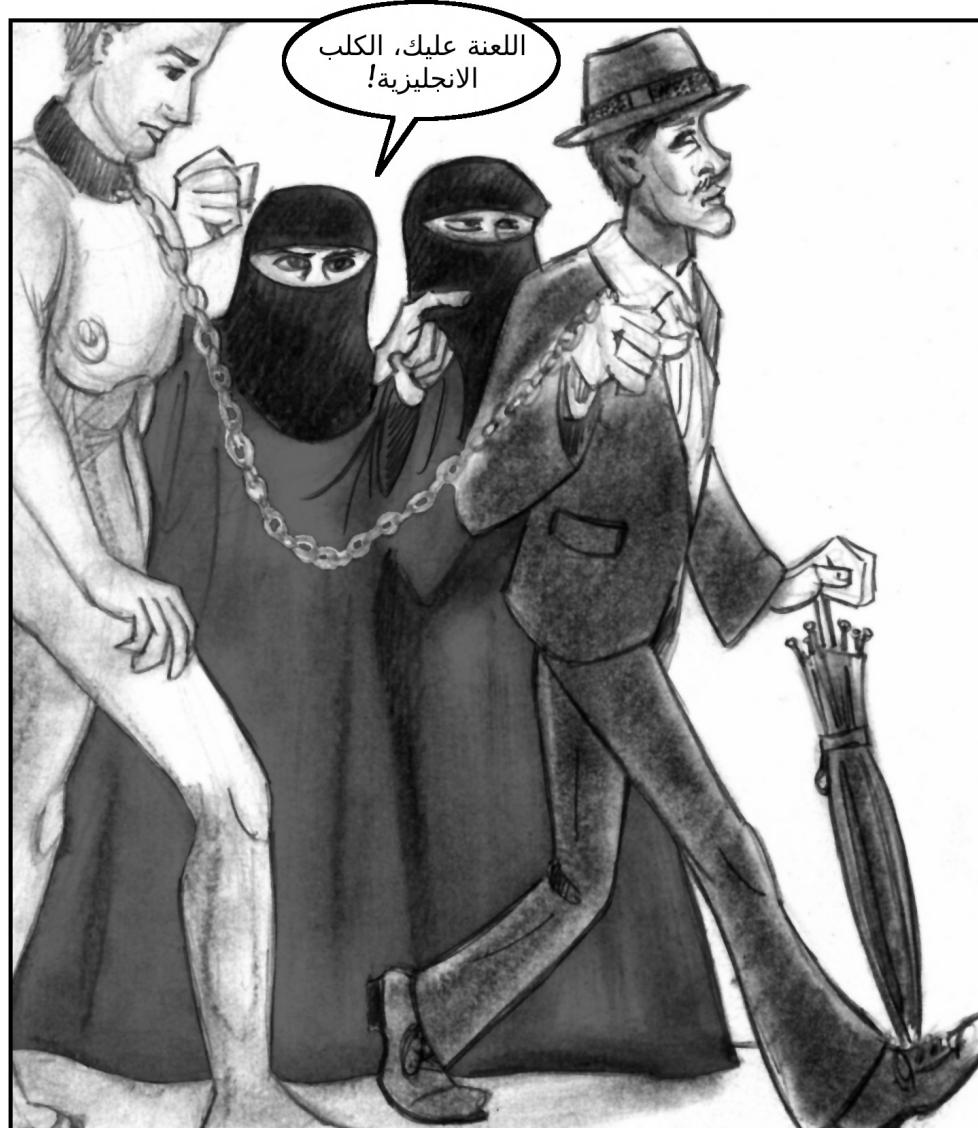
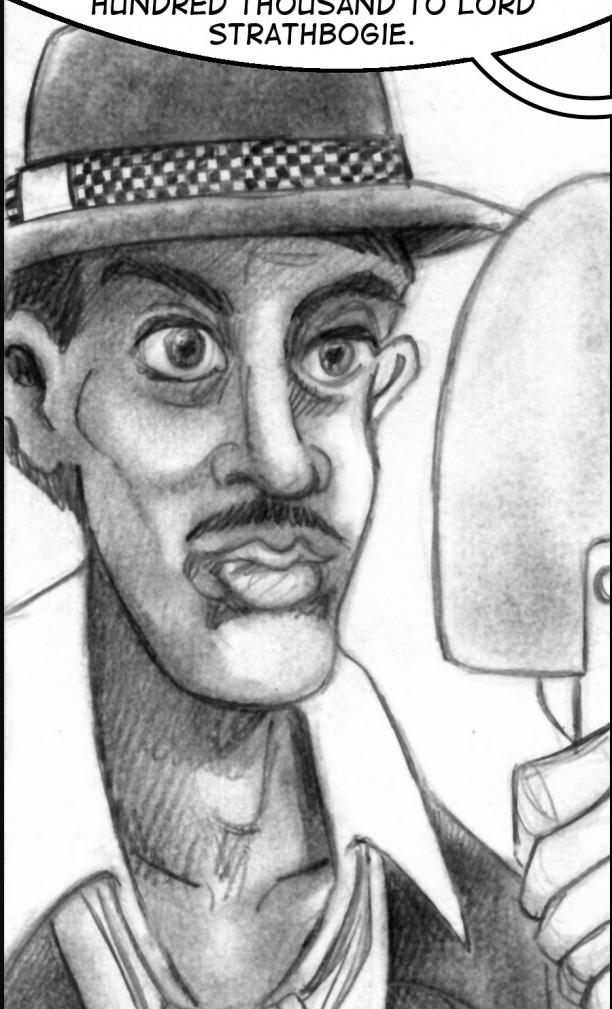


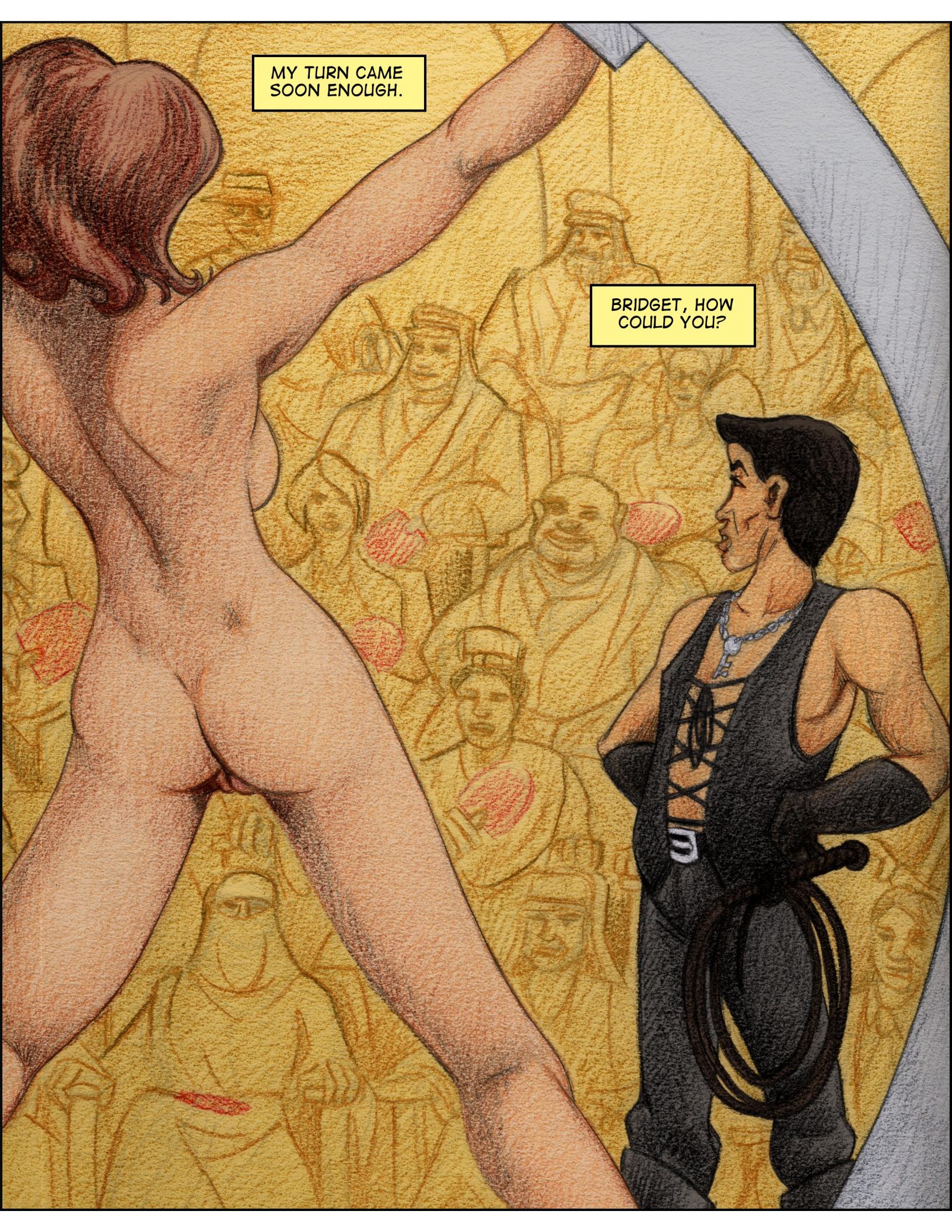
EXQUISITE...

WHAT WILL WE HEAR FOR THIS
HANDSOME SON OF ADAM, THIS
FINE SPECIMEN OF MANHOOD. DO
I HEAR ONE HUNDRED
THOUSAND? YES. ONE HUNDRED
AND FIFTY THOUSAND. ONE
HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND.
GOING...YES. TWO HUNDRED
THOUSAND, YES.



TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND,
YES. THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND. YES.
THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND. GOING
ONCE, GOING TWICE. SOLD, FOR THREE
HUNDRED THOUSAND TO LORD
STRATHBOGIE.



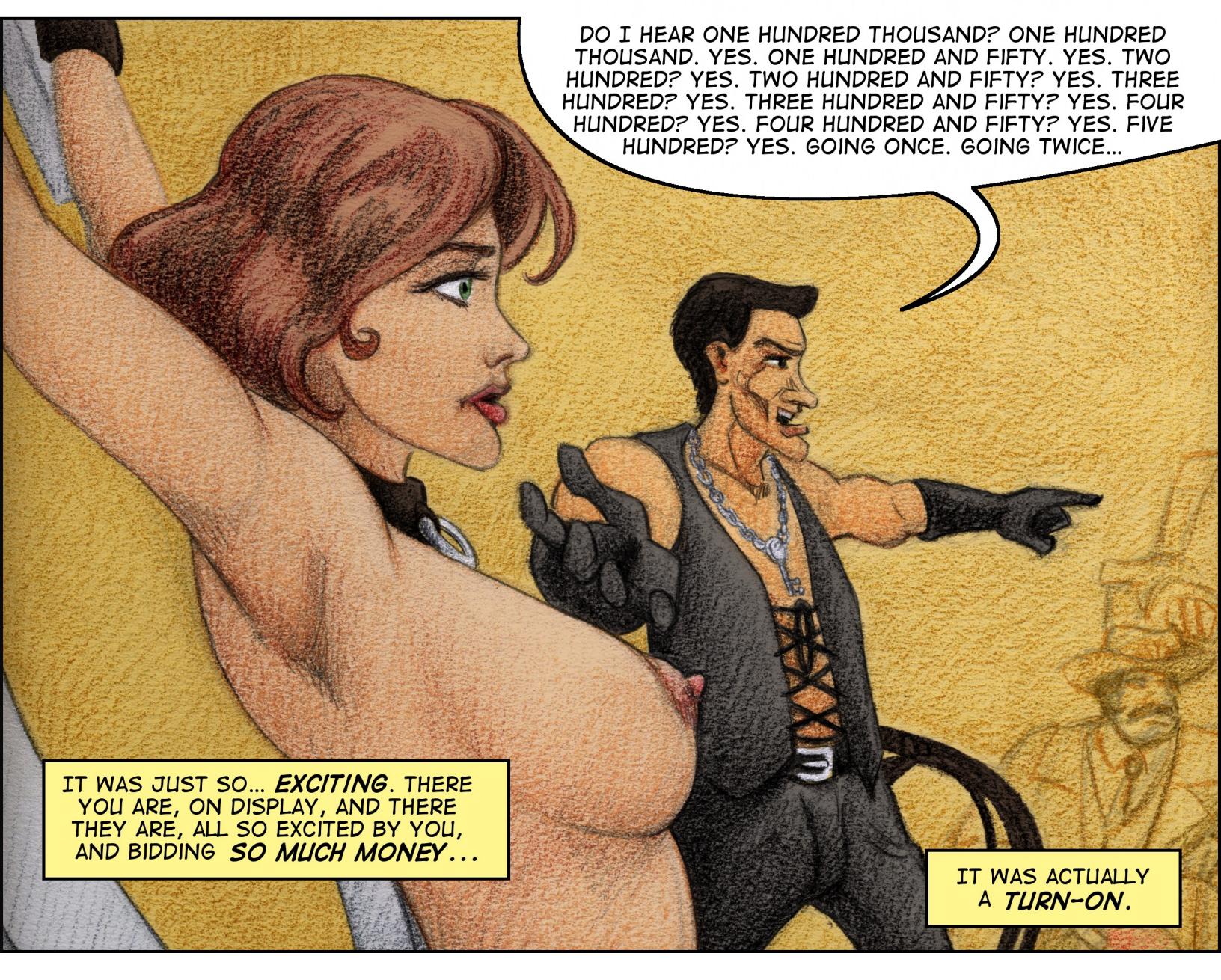
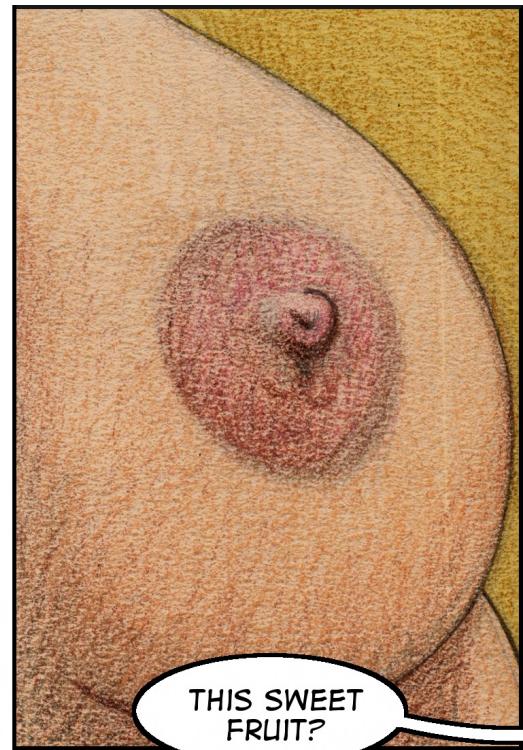


MY TURN CAME
SOON ENOUGH.

BRIDGET, HOW
COULD YOU?



WHAT DO WE HEAR FOR THIS FINE SPECIMEN?

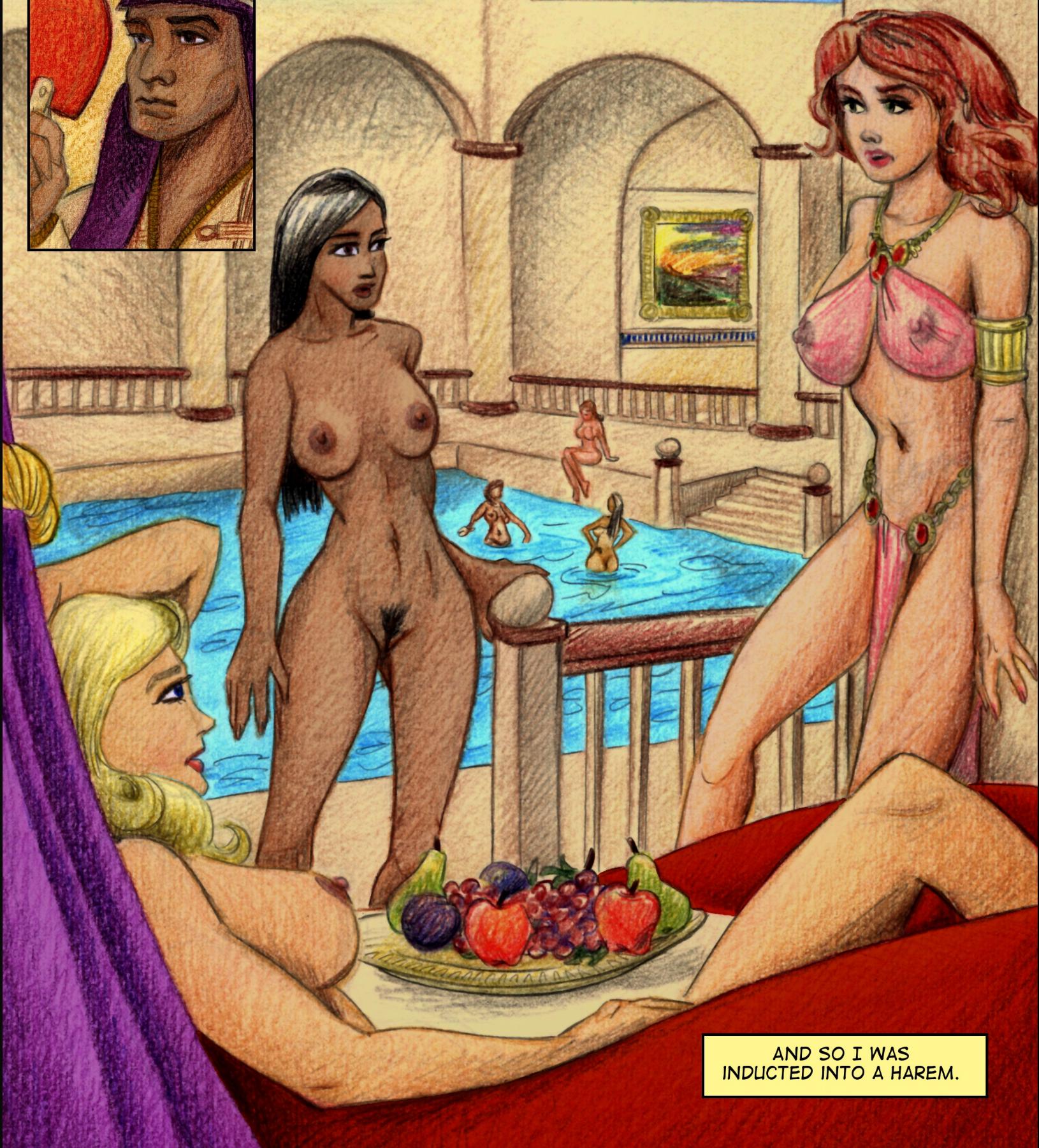


DO I HEAR ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND? ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND. YES. ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY. YES. TWO HUNDRED? YES. TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY? YES. THREE HUNDRED? YES. THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY? YES. FOUR HUNDRED? YES. FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY? YES. FIVE HUNDRED? YES. GOING ONCE. GOING TWICE...

IT WAS JUST SO... **EXCITING**. THERE YOU ARE, ON DISPLAY, AND THERE THEY ARE, ALL SO EXCITED BY YOU, AND BIDDING **SO MUCH MONEY...**

IT WAS ACTUALLY A **TURN-ON**.

SOLD! TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE SULTAN OF PAZAR.

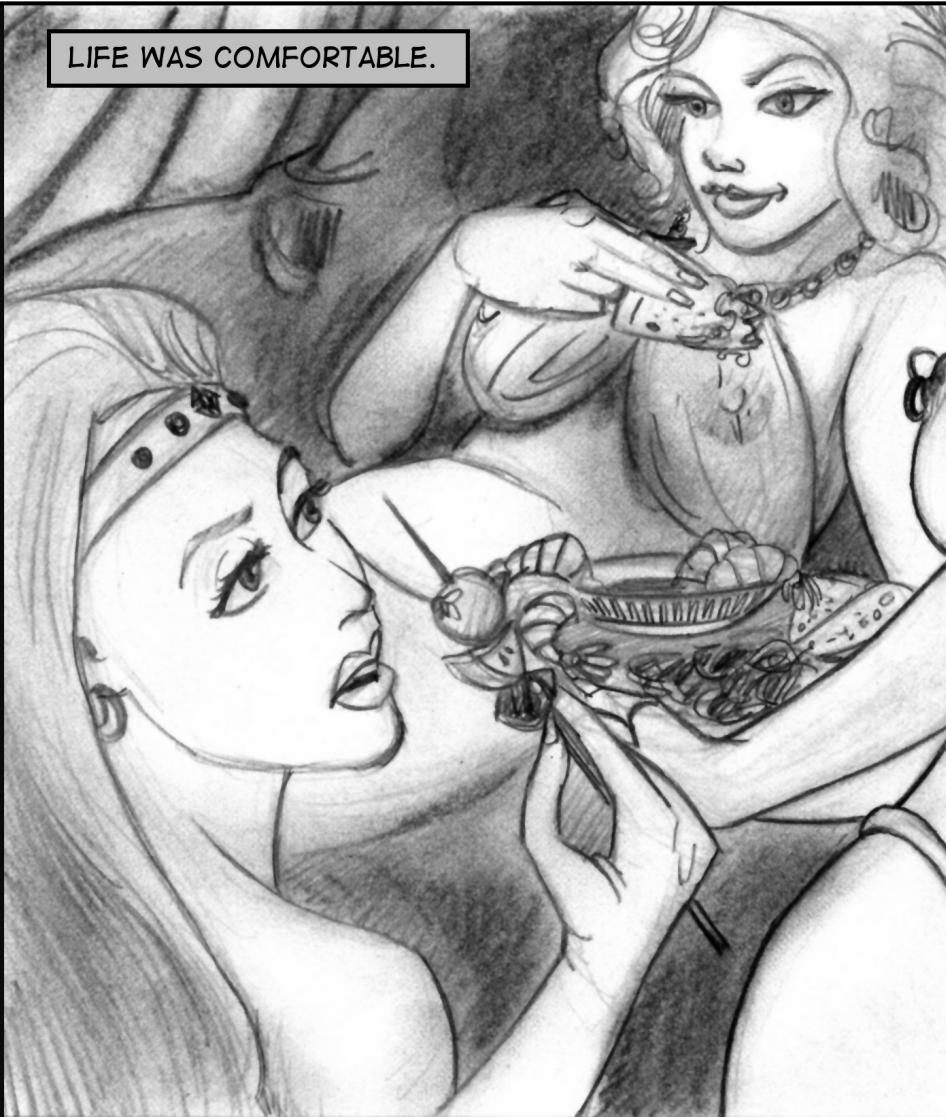


AND SO I WAS
INDUCTED INTO A HAREM.

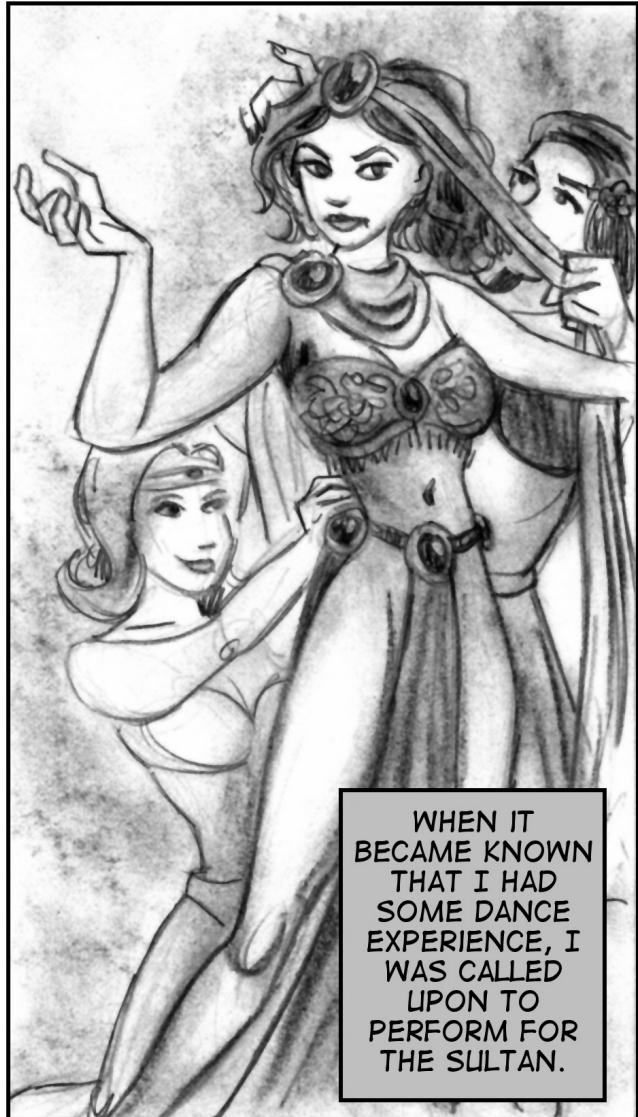
LIFE WAS DIVERTING.

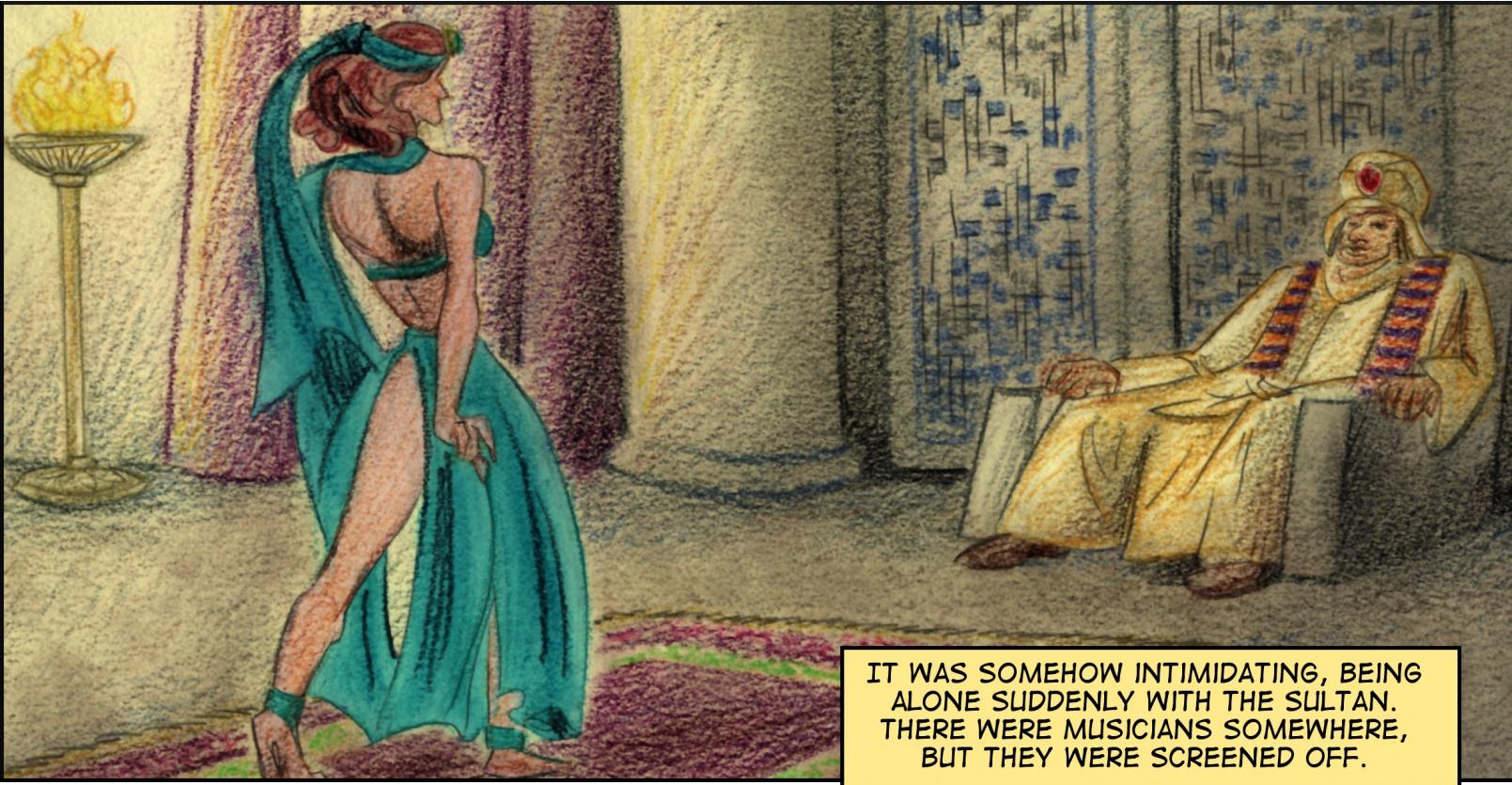


LIFE WAS COMFORTABLE.



WHEN IT
BECAME KNOWN
THAT I HAD
SOME DANCE
EXPERIENCE, I
WAS CALLED
UPON TO
PERFORM FOR
THE SULTAN.





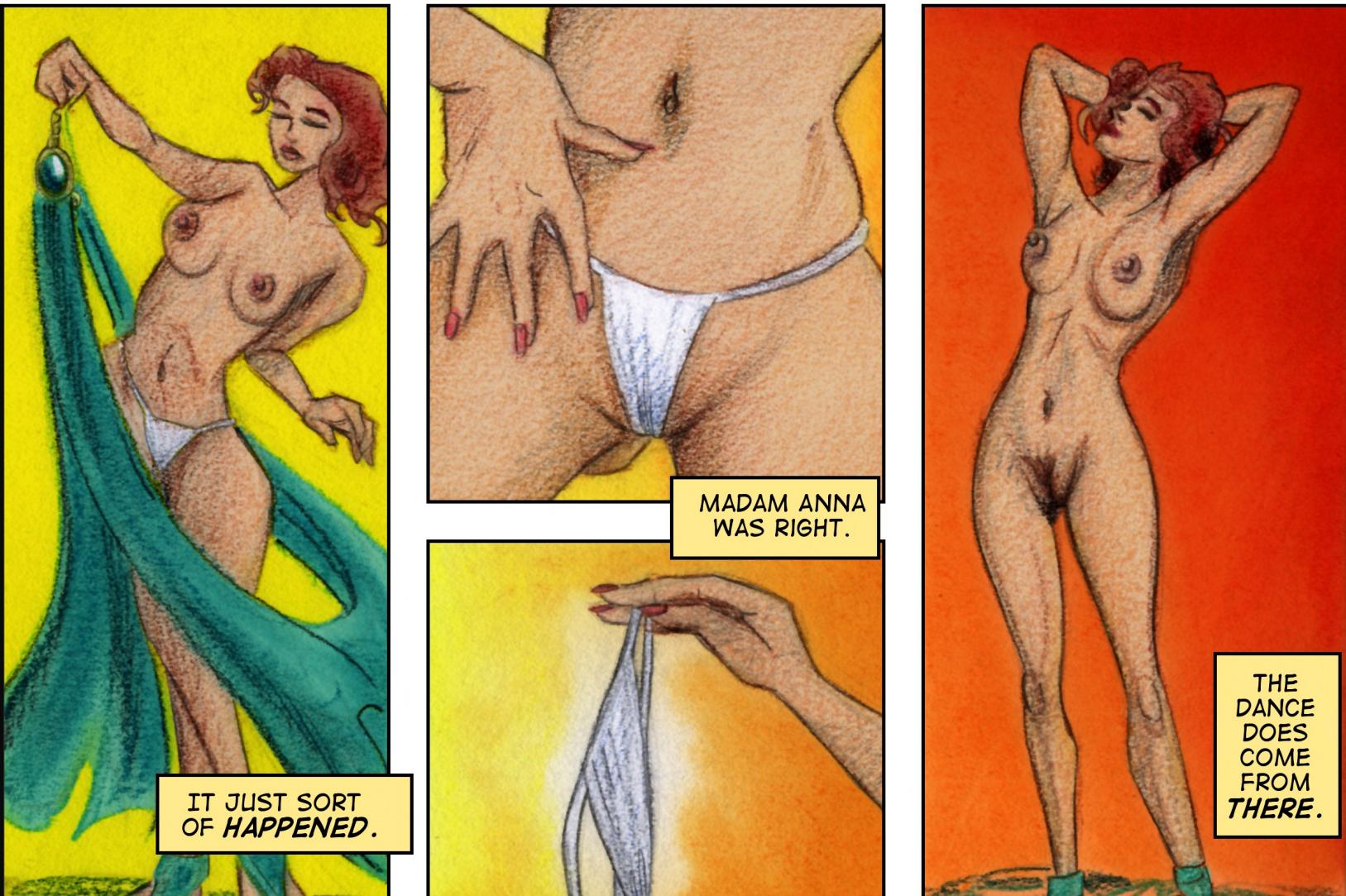
IT WAS SOMEHOW INTIMIDATING, BEING ALONE SUDDENLY WITH THE SULTAN. THERE WERE MUSICIANS SOMEWHERE, BUT THEY WERE SCREENED OFF.



IF YOU'VE NEVER EXPERIENCED IT, YOU CAN'T KNOW HOW *INTOXICATING* PERFORMING WITH LIVE MUSIC IS COMPARED WITH A RECORDING.



I DIDN'T *INTEND* TO
LOSE MY COSTUME BIT BY
BIT THROUGH THE DANCE.





THE SULTAN SAT DEAD-STILL
FOR MY PERFORMANCE,
EXCEPT FOR ONE PART OF HIM.



THE THOUGHT FLICKERED
THROUGH MY HEAD THAT THIS WAS
AN ODD SITUATION FOR A NICE
IRISH-CATHOLIC GIRL TO BE IN.



BUT SOON I HAVE
VERY DIFFERENT
THOUGHTS IN MIND.



SOMEHOW THE
MUSICIANS KNEW TO
CHANGE TO A DANCE
NOW FOR TWO.

BRIDGET, THAT
SOUNDS LIKE
REALLY...

AW, C'MON. IT WAS
NO GROSSER THAN ANY OF
US HAVE DONE ON CASUAL
HOOKUPS, AND IT WAS
A LOT MORE FUN
THAN THAT EVEN.

HAVEN'T YOU
EVER WANTED
TO JUST LOSE
IT, LET GO,
SURRENDER
TO AN
INCLINATION?

I CERTAINLY SLEPT
WELL THAT NIGHT.

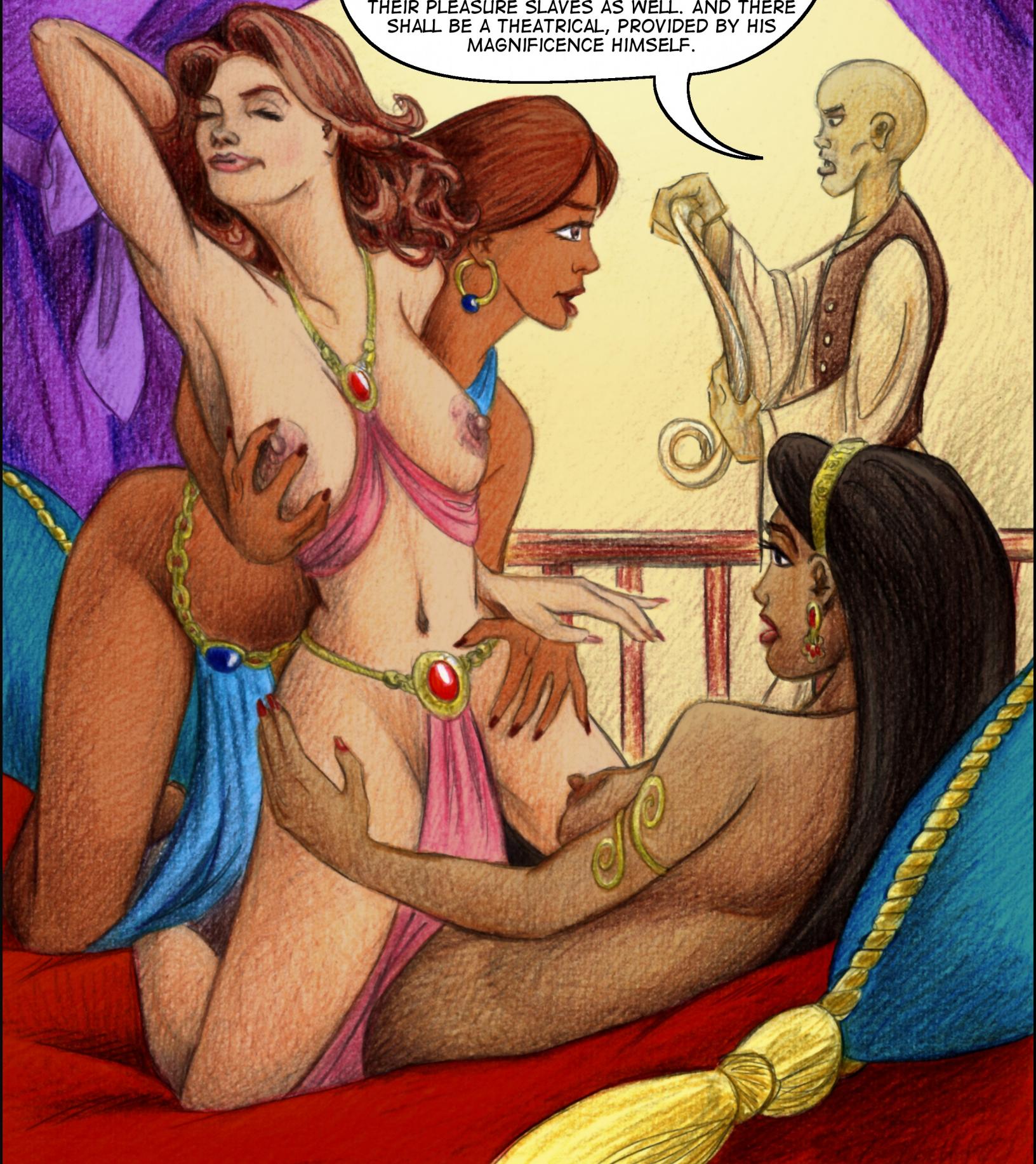


THE SULTAN WOULD SOMETIMES
CHOOSE FAVORITE GIRLS TO PROVIDE
ENTERTAINMENTS FOR HIS GUESTS.



AND THEN ONE DAY
NEAR THE END OF MY
TERM OF SERVICE...

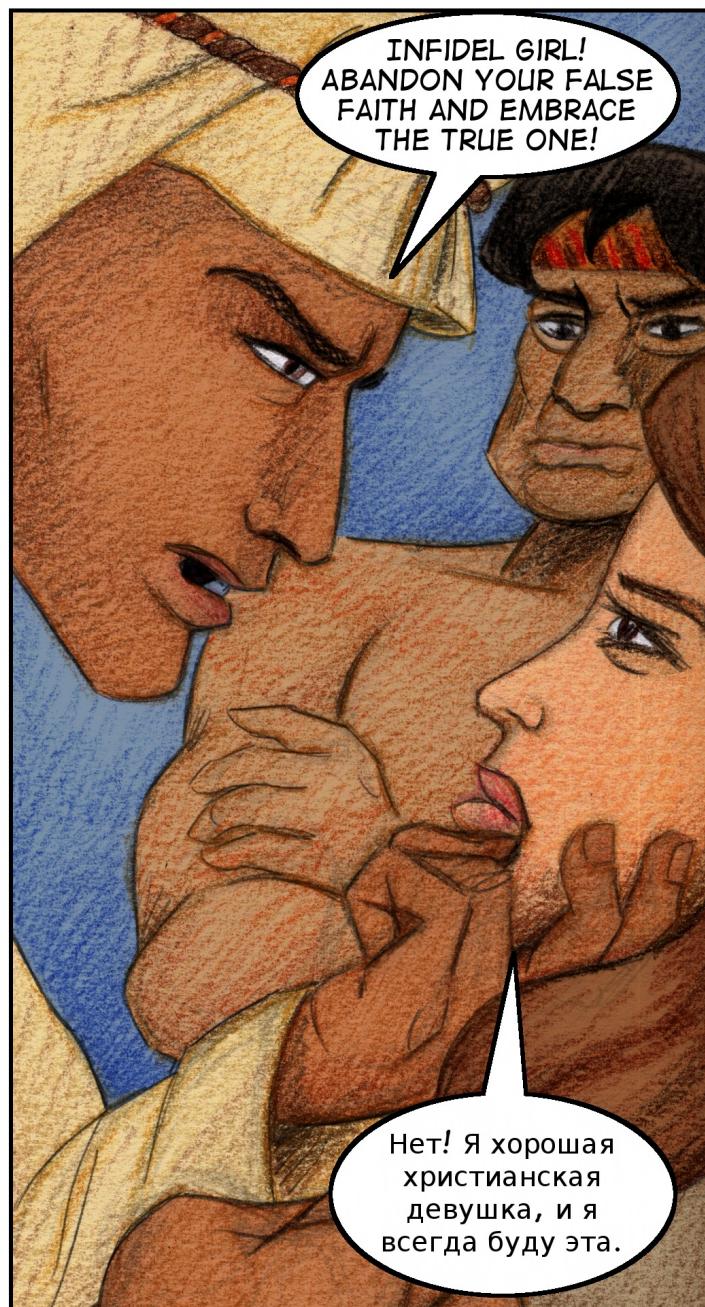
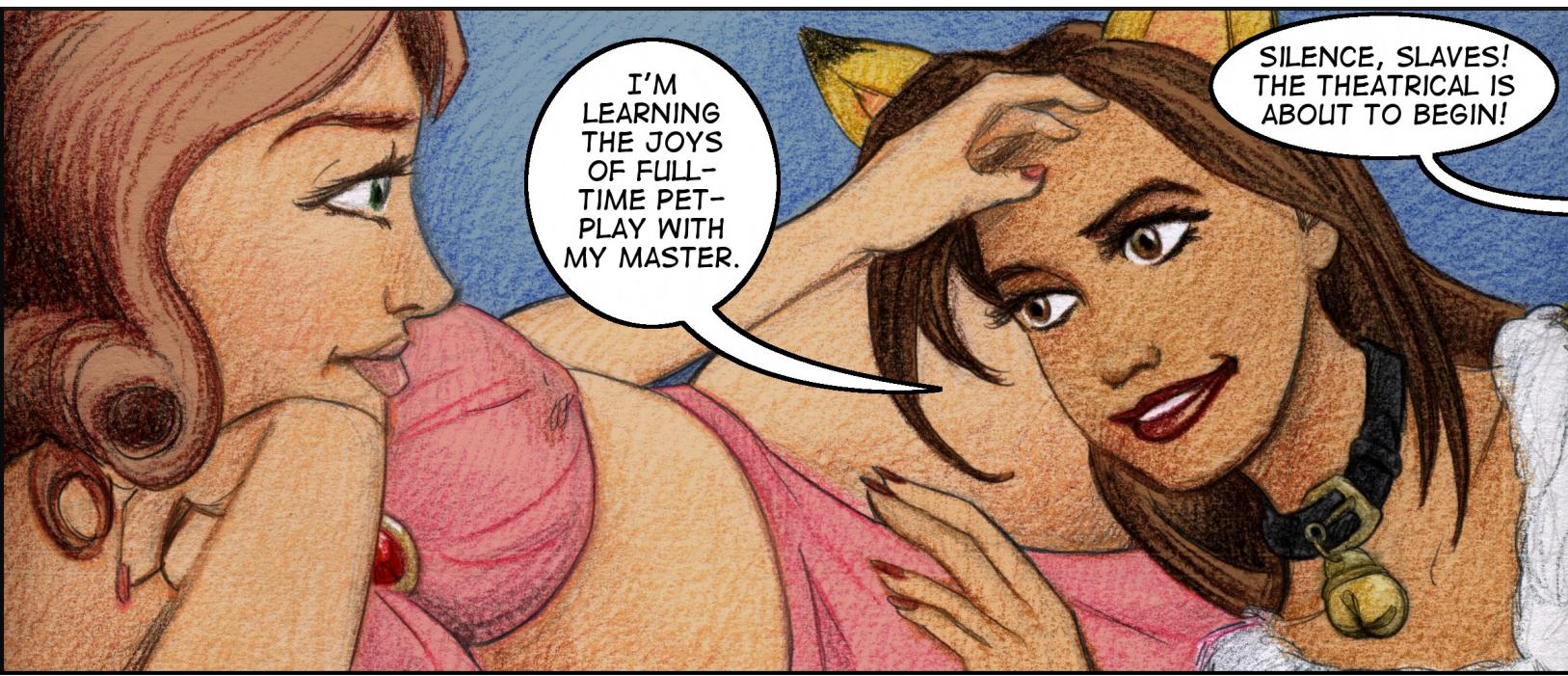
HIS EMINENCE, THE SULTAN, ANNOUNCES
HEREBY THAT A GRAND ENTERTAINMENT SHALL
BE PROVIDED, WHERE ALL PLEASURE SLAVES
SHALL ATTEND, SERVING IN THE CAPACITY FOR
WHICH THEY ARE DESTINED. ALL THE GREAT
MEN OF MUNAI ARE INVITED, TO ATTEND WITH
THEIR PLEASURE SLAVES AS WELL. AND THERE
SHALL BE A THEATRICAL, PROVIDED BY HIS
MAGNIFICENCE HIMSELF.



WOW,
WHAT A
SPACE!









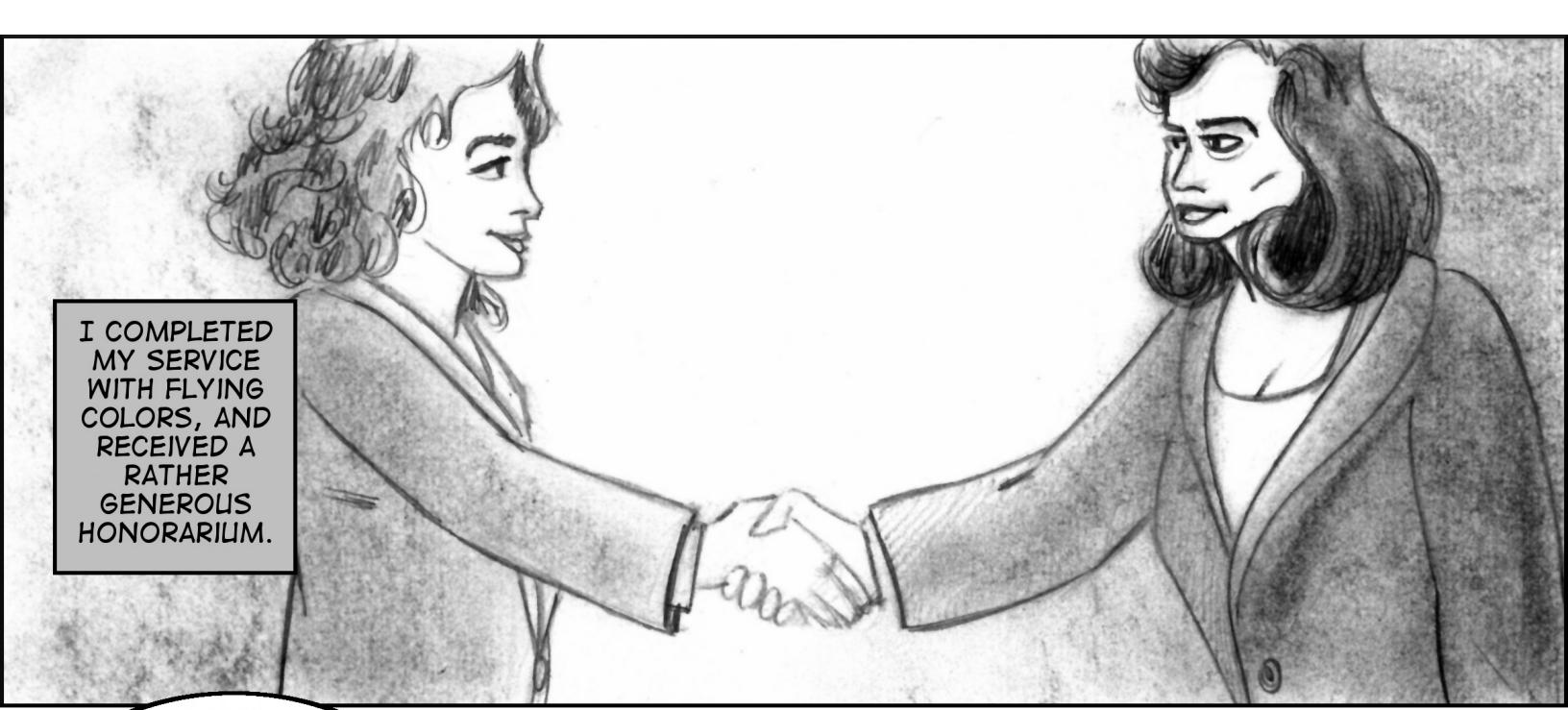








WE HAD MERCY. IN PARALLEL
AND SEQUENCE, EVEN.



I COMPLETED
MY SERVICE
WITH FLYING
COLORS, AND
RECEIVED A
RATHER
GENEROUS
HONORARIUM.



YOU HAVE BEEN A
MOST GRATIFYING
COHORT, AND I AM ALSO
PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
THAT ONE OF YOU HAS
QUALIFIED FOR OUR
DISTINGUISHED LEVEL 2
PROGRAM.



LEVEL 2 PROGRAM?

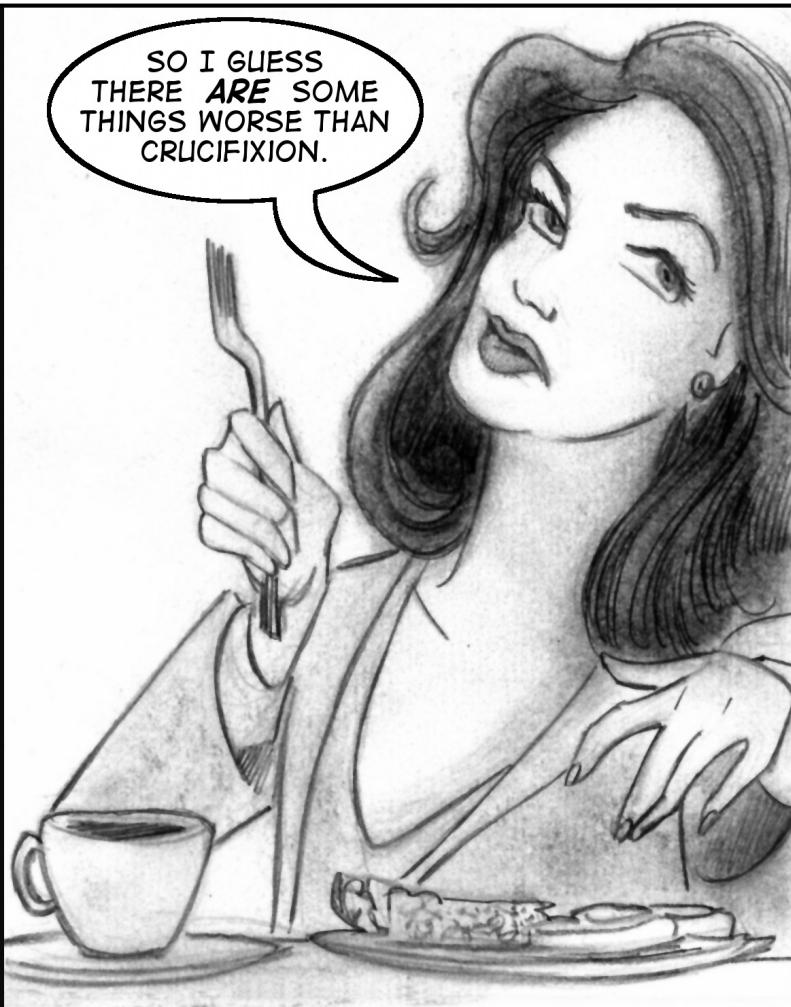
THE ONE
WITH NO
SAFEWORD.



I FLEW HOME FIRST CLASS AND WROTE A REPORT WHICH, EVEN WITH CERTAIN DETAILS LEFT OUT, MUST HAVE BEEN A SIZZLER.



ONE MEMBER OF MY READING COMMITTEE CLAIMED THAT I WAS INDULGING IN "ORIENTALIST STEREOTYPING" AND I WAS OBLIGED TO INCLUDE A MORE THEORETICAL CHAPTER.





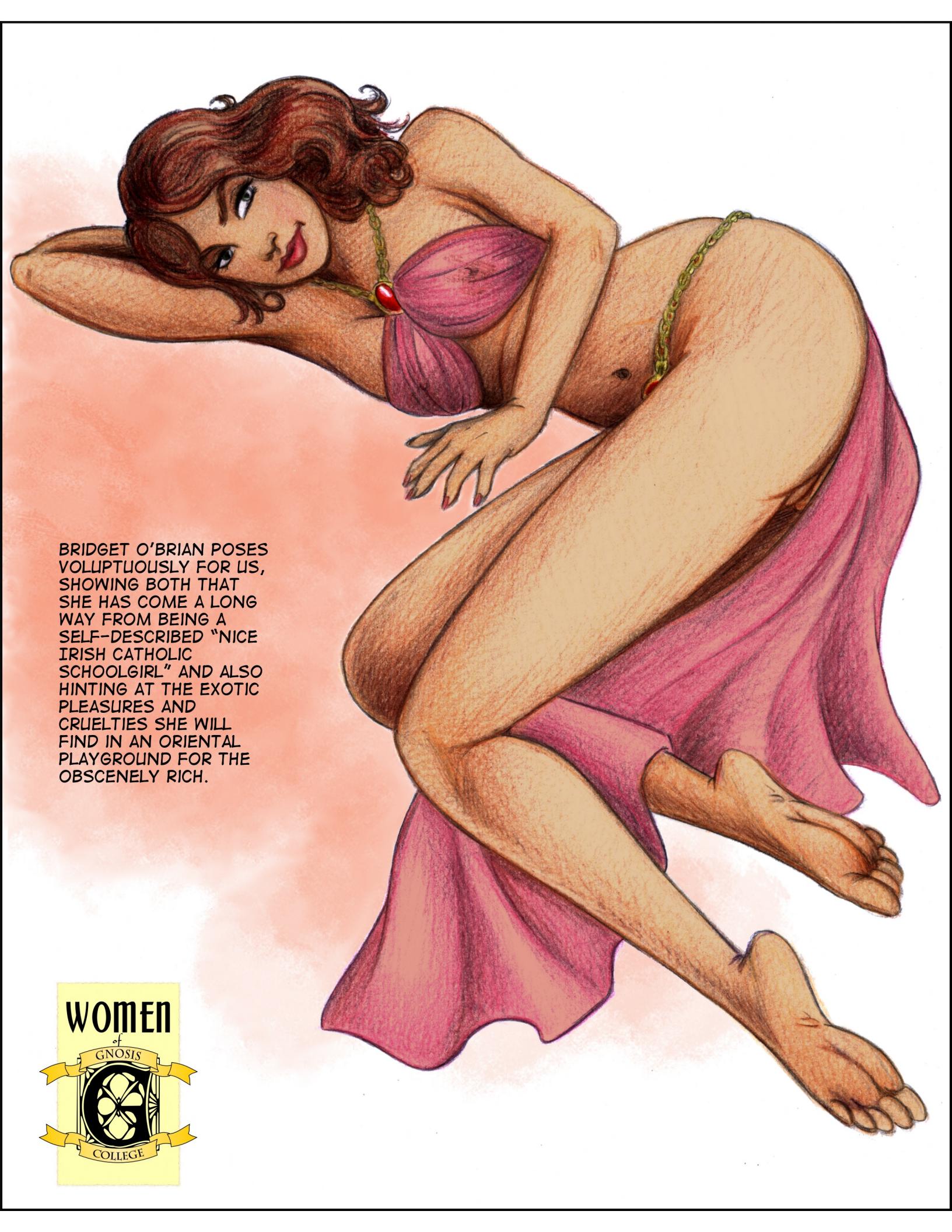
WELL, NO. IF
THERE REALLY IS A
LEVEL 2 PROGRAM,
I HOPE SHE
WASN'T IN IT.

I THINK YOU
WERE LUCKY TO
COME BACK.

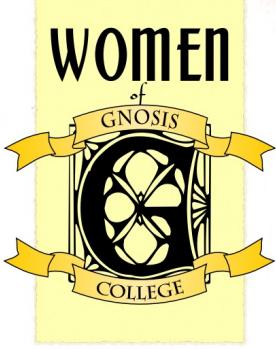
BUT I DID, AND I
THINK I MUST HAVE A
STORY TO BEAT ALL!

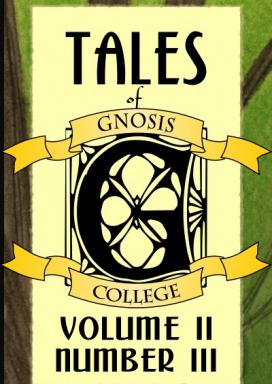
OH, DON'T BE TOO
SURE, SISTER.

I HAVE ONE **HELL** OF
A STORY ABOUT LUCKY
TO COME BACK.



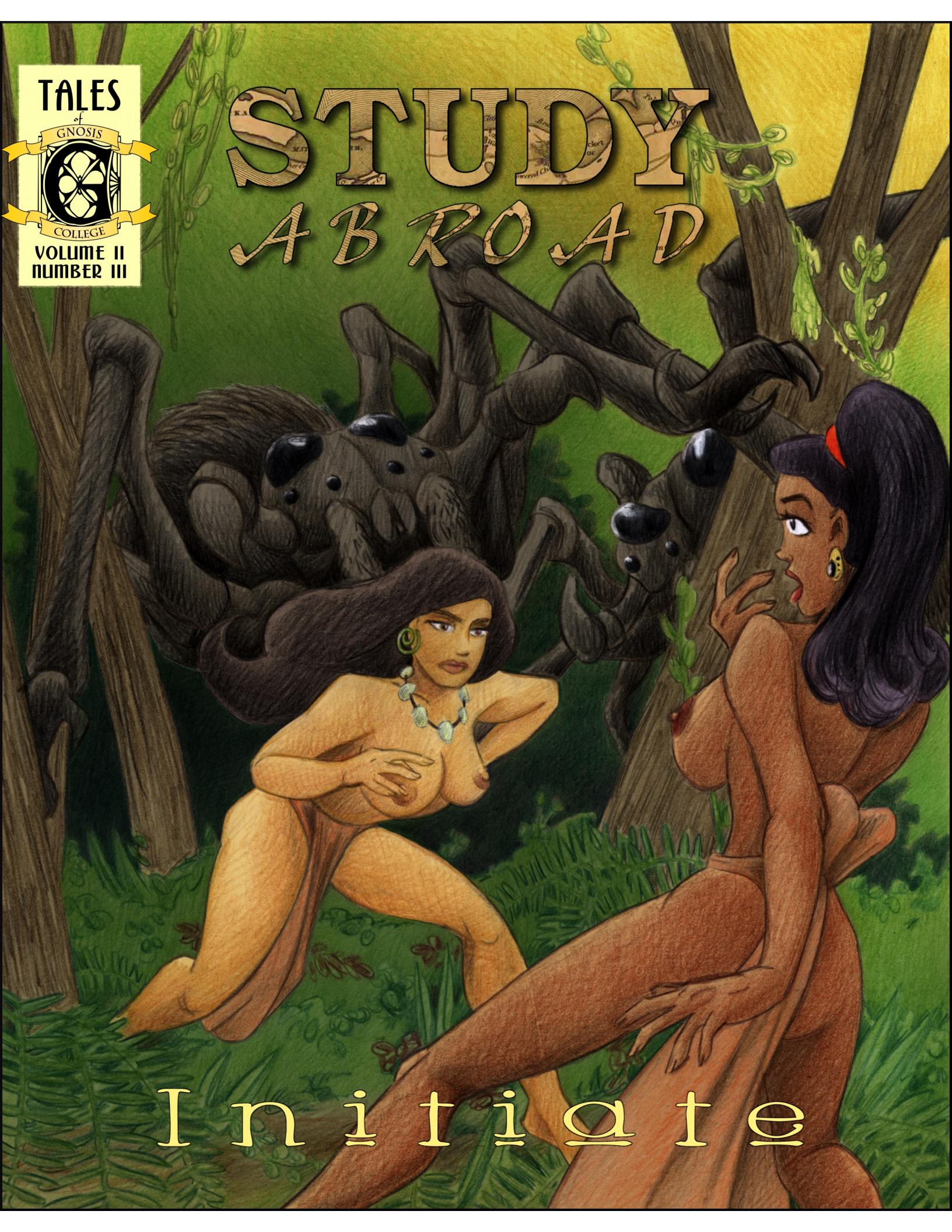
BRIDGET O'BRIAN POSES VOLUPTUOUSLY FOR US, SHOWING BOTH THAT SHE HAS COME A LONG WAY FROM BEING A SELF-DESCRIBED "NICE IRISH CATHOLIC SCHOOLGIRL" AND ALSO HINTING AT THE EXOTIC PLEASURES AND CRUELTIES SHE WILL FIND IN AN ORIENTAL PLAYGROUND FOR THE OBSCENELY RICH.





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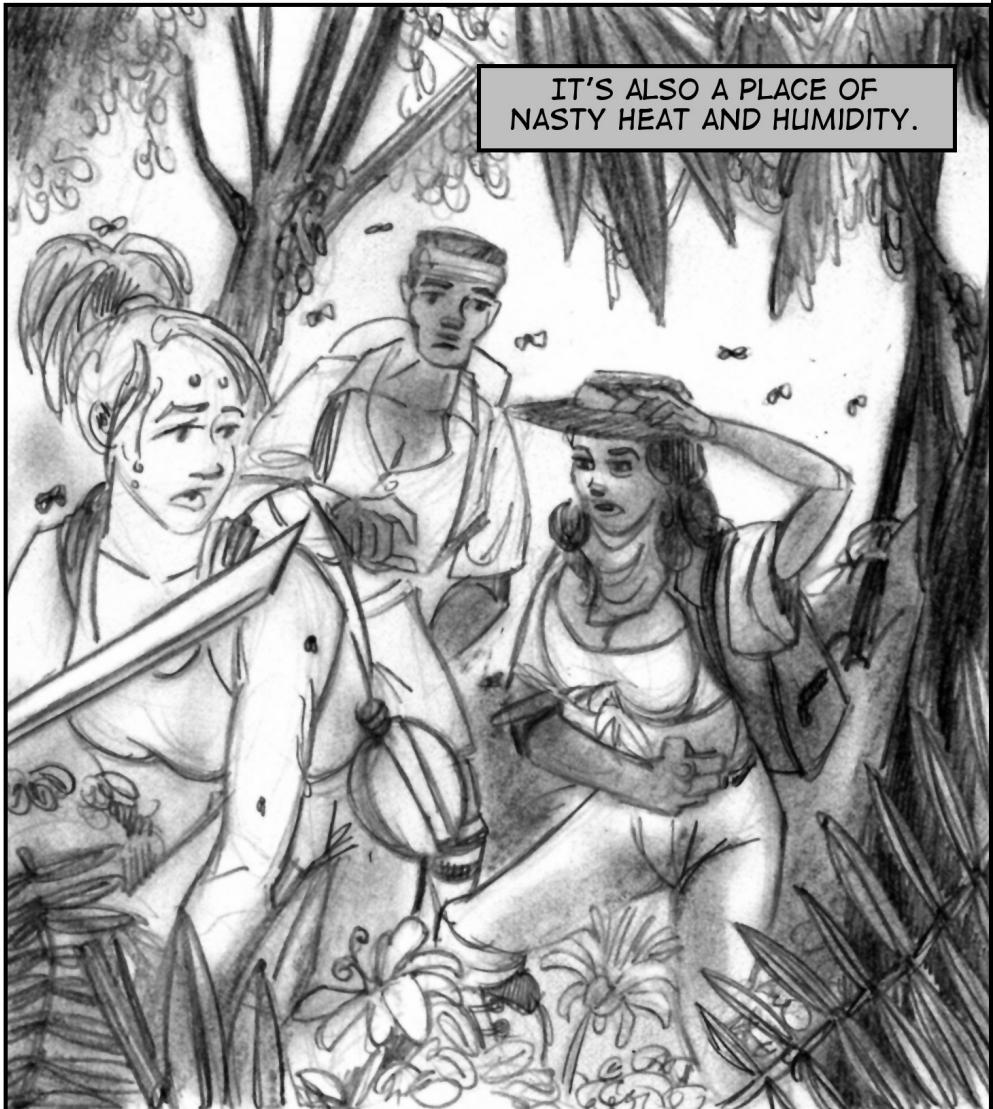
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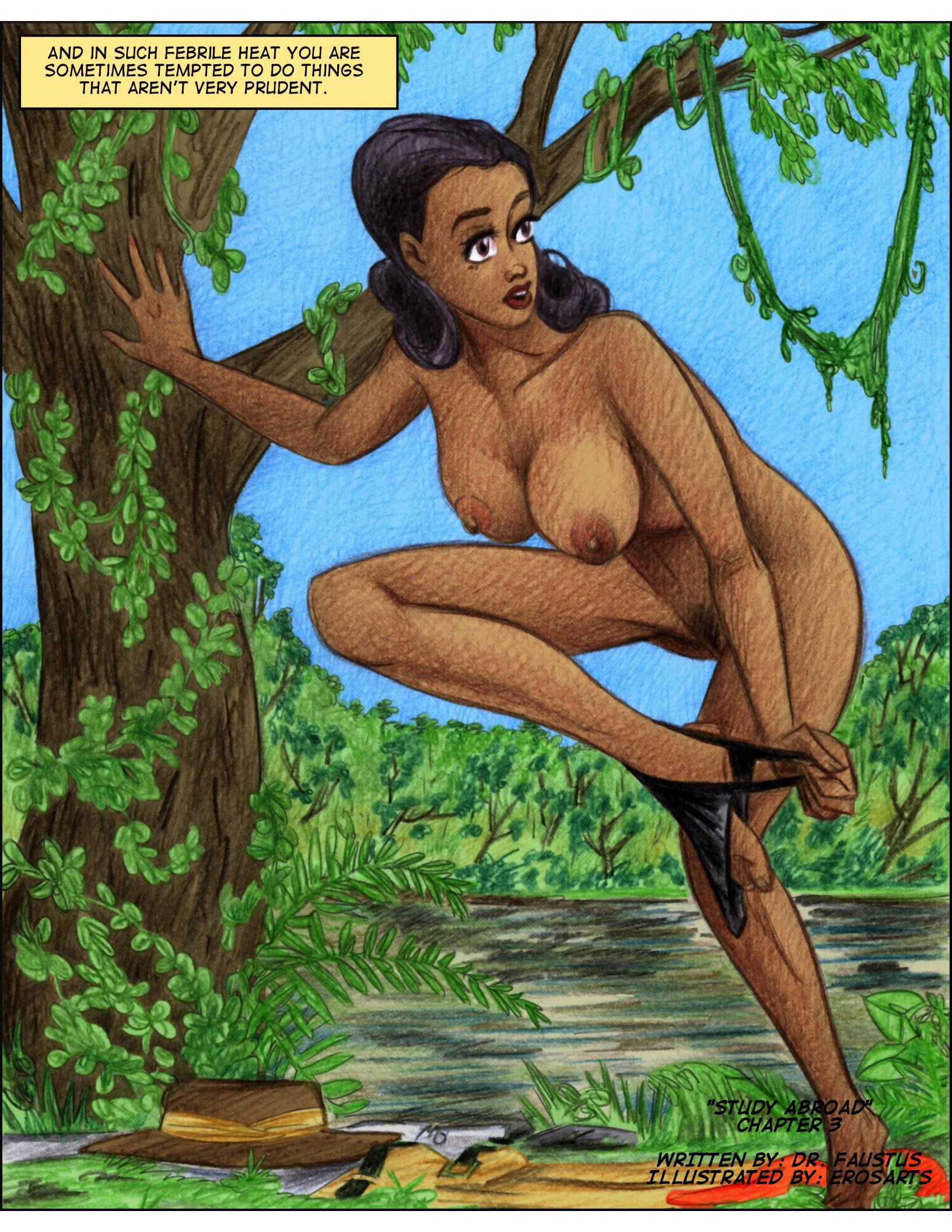


THE FOUR WOMEN
CONTINUE THEIR STORIES
OF STUDY TRAVEL ABROAD.

AND SO WHY
WERE YOU
LUCKY TO COME
BACK, CLEO?

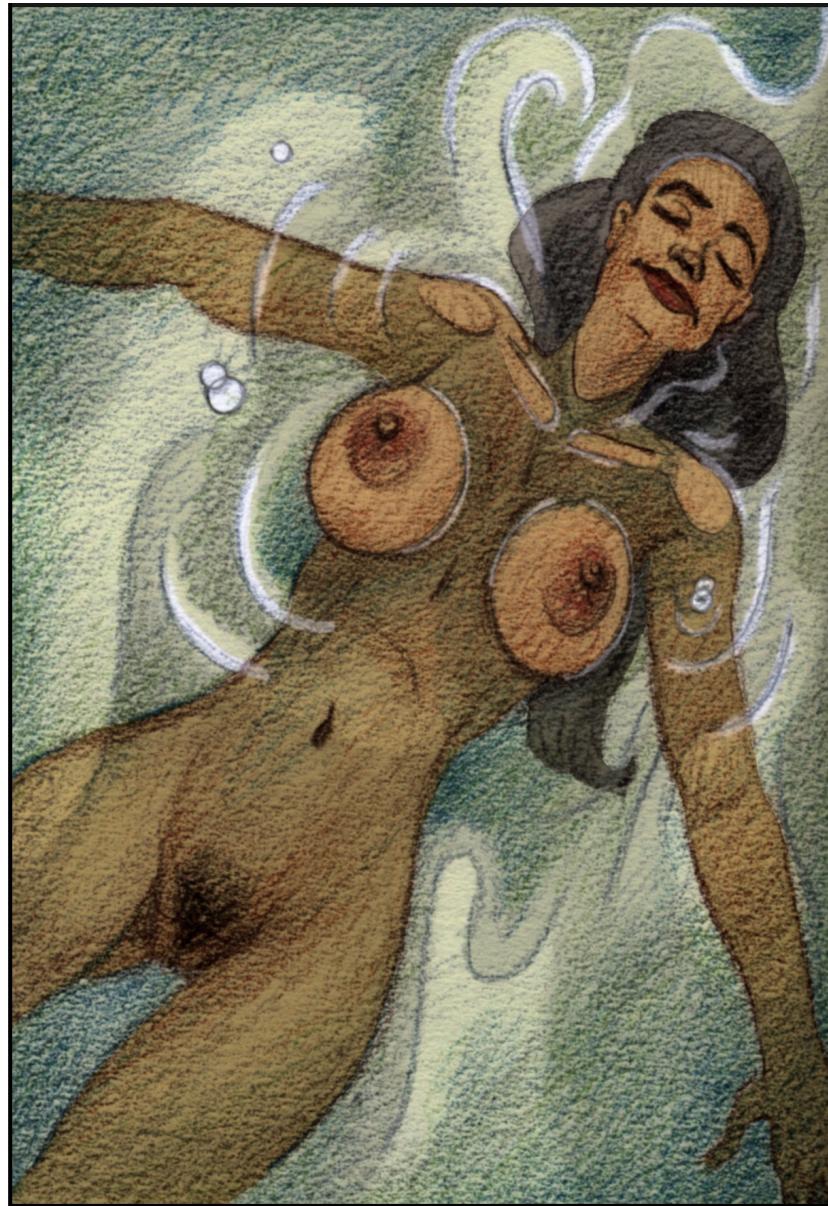
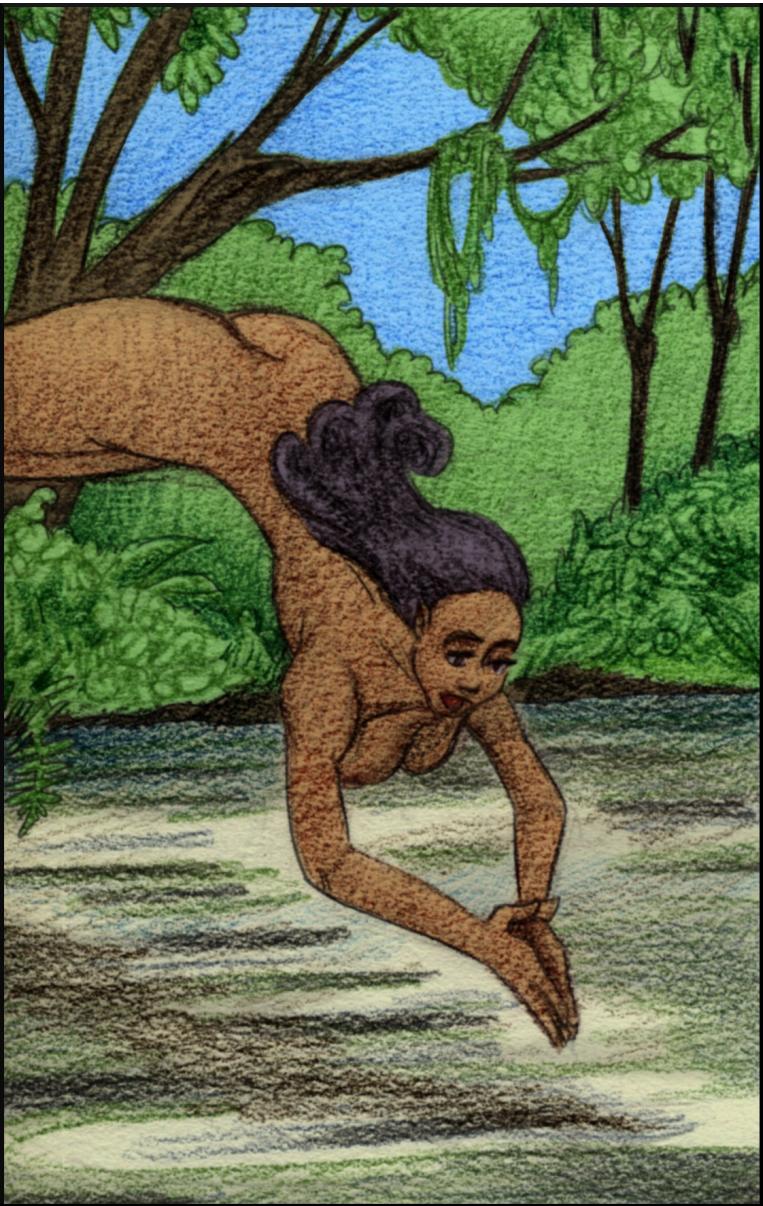


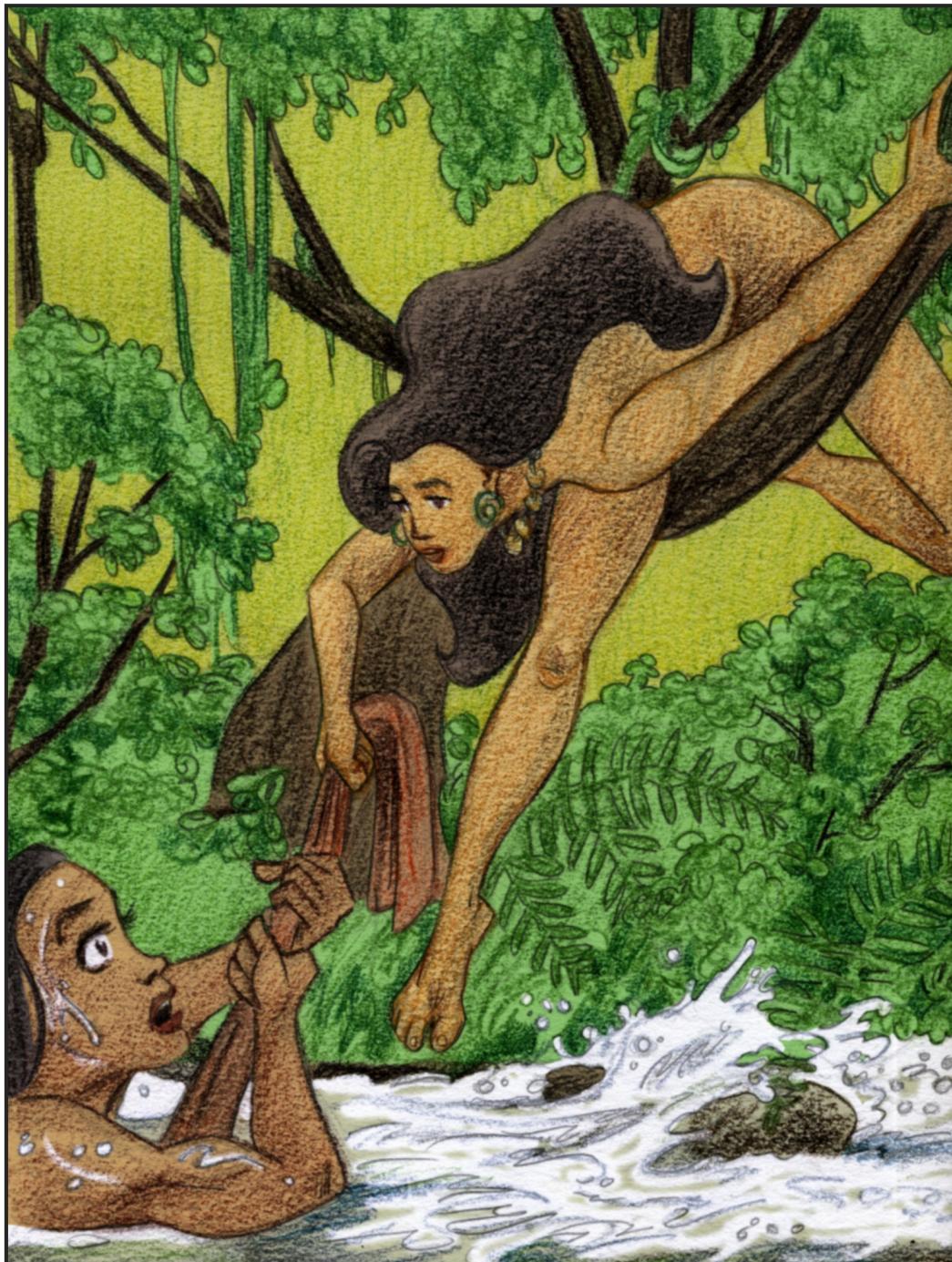
AND IN SUCH FEBRILE HEAT YOU ARE
SOMETIMES TEMPTED TO DO THINGS
THAT AREN'T VERY PRUDENT.

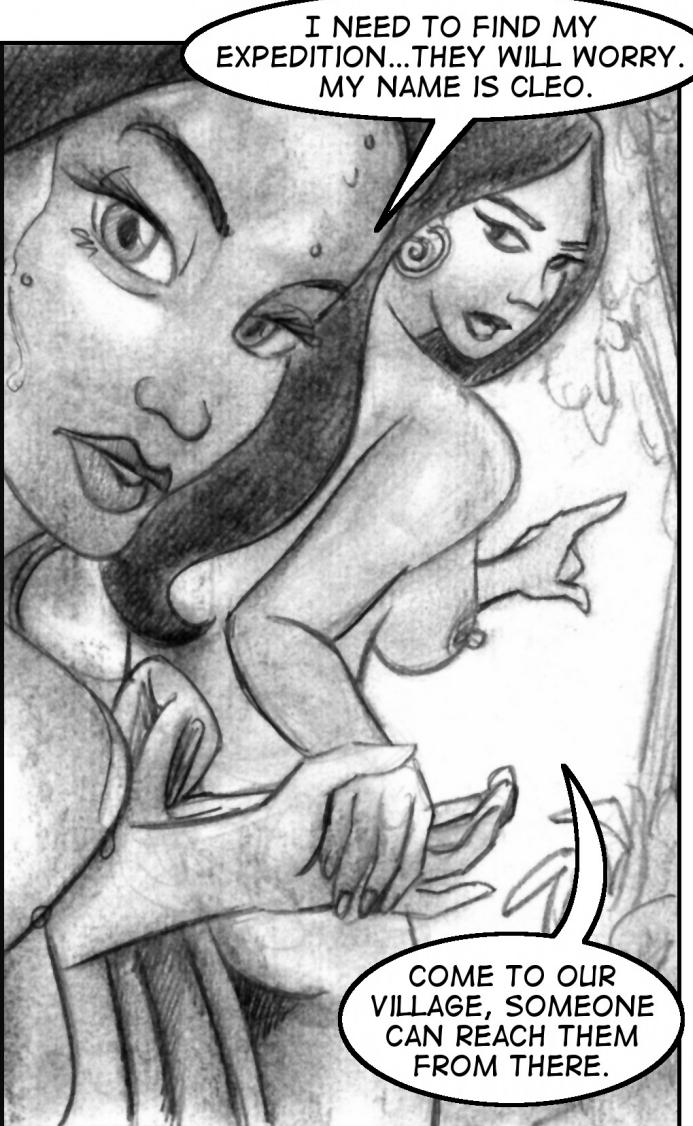


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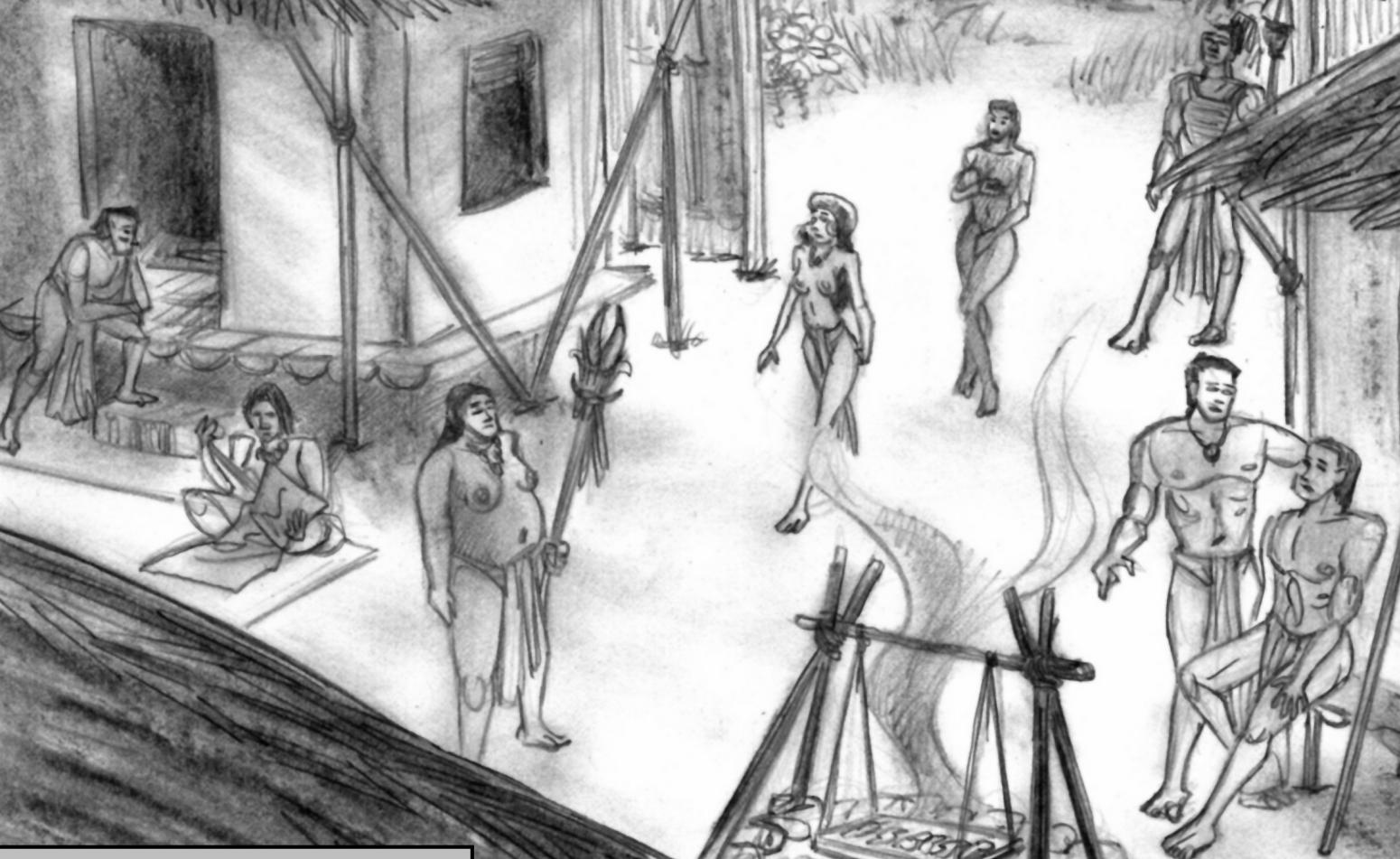




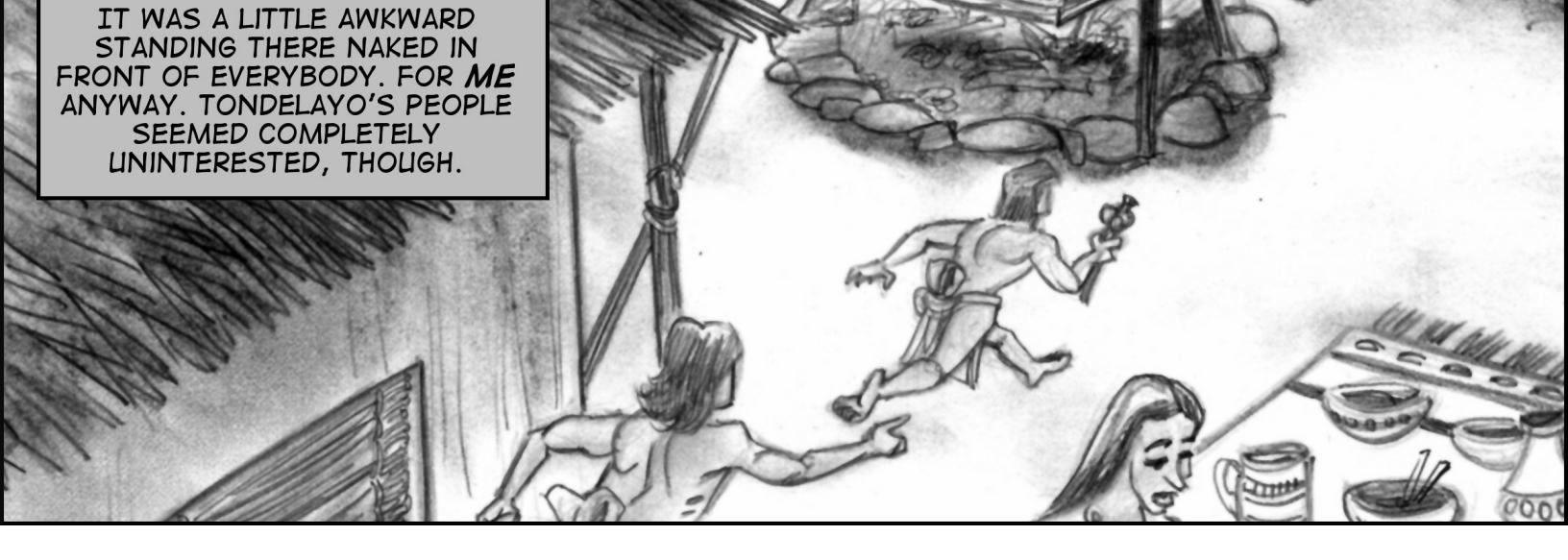




I WAS RELIEVED TO FINALLY
GET TO THE VILLAGE.



IT WAS A LITTLE AWKWARD
STANDING THERE NAKED IN
FRONT OF EVERYBODY. FOR **ME**
ANYWAY. TONDELAYO'S PEOPLE
SEEMED COMPLETELY
UNINTERESTED, THOUGH.



ZOYO NEMTOBOTU IMI
WOMUDO OMEH YONG KEROB TI
TORON ZIMGOI. TUO OTOROH
TOL AMERIKA TOM MONOMYO
KLIQ. POREHGOH GLUDO
NEMNERIHORO OMOK LIDI?





THEY DISPATCHED A RUNNER TO EXPLAIN TO PROFESSOR JONES THAT I WAS NOT DEAD SOMEWHERE.

MEANWHILE, TONDALAYO'S PEOPLE SHOWED THAT THEY REALLY KNOW HOW TO PARTY.

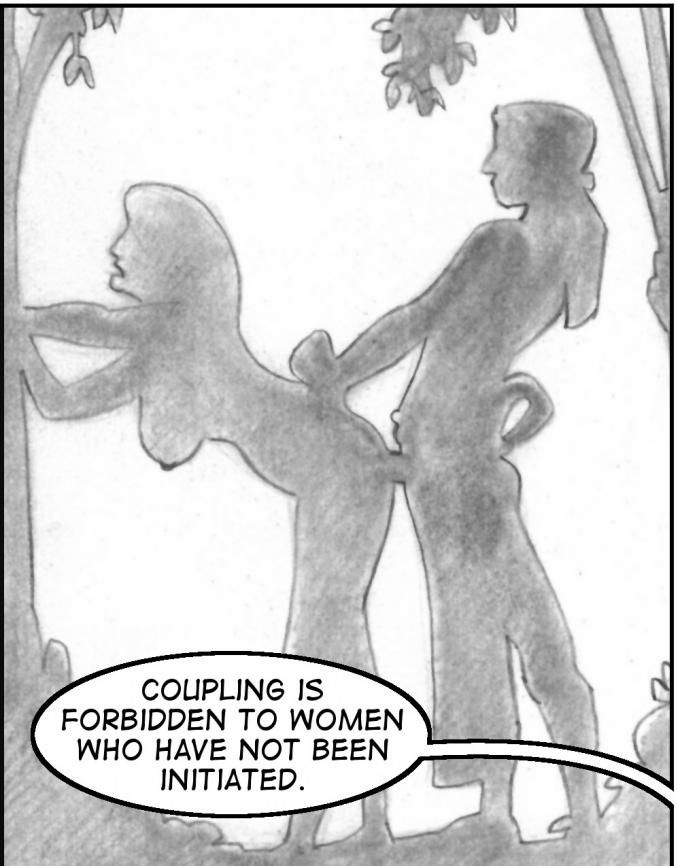




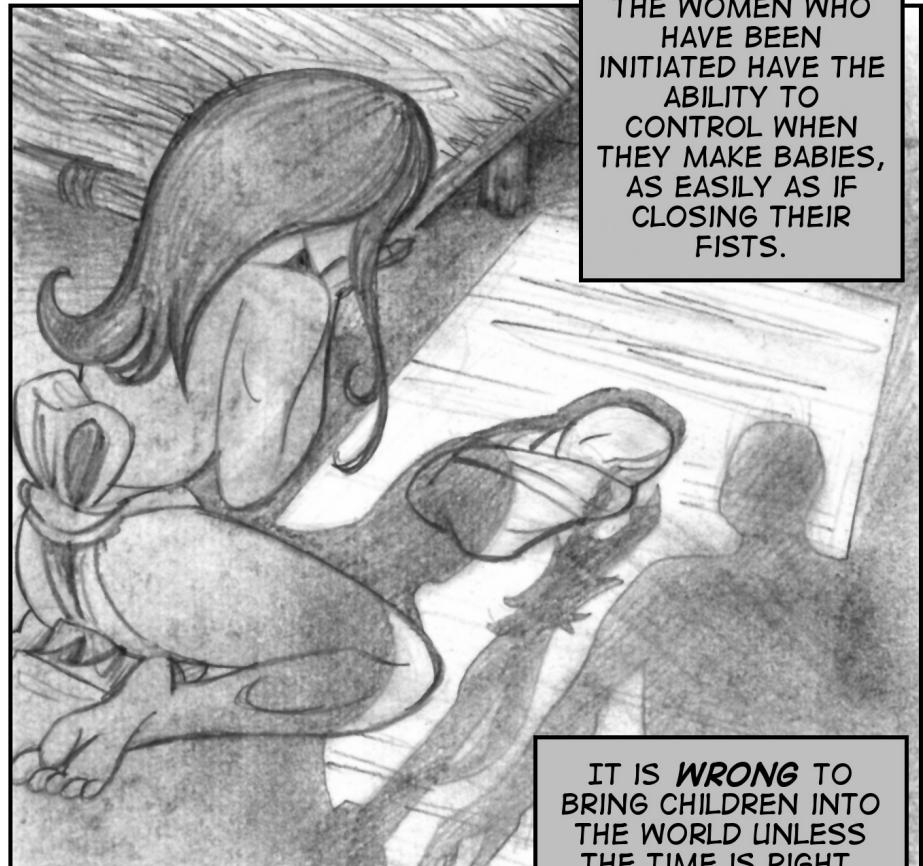
DON'T YOU WANT TO
GO OFF AND "COUPLE,"
TONDELAYO?

MORE THAN ANYTHING.
BUT I HAVE NOT YET
BEEN INITIATED.

THE WOMEN WHO
HAVE BEEN
INITIATED HAVE THE
ABILITY TO
CONTROL WHEN
THEY MAKE BABIES,
AS EASILY AS IF
CLOSING THEIR
FISTS.



COUPLING IS
FORBIDDEN TO WOMEN
WHO HAVE NOT BEEN
INITIATED.



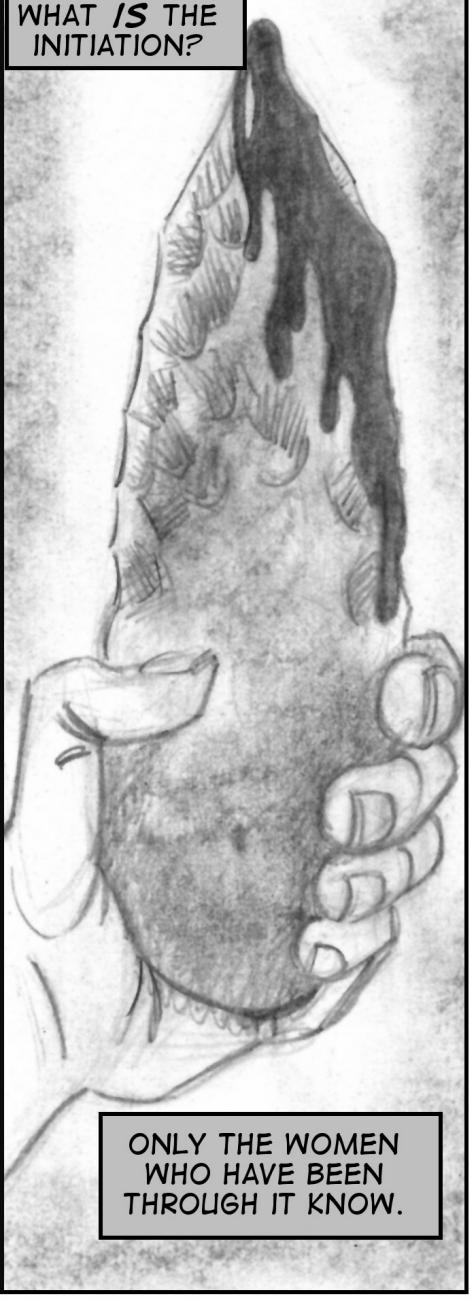
IT IS **WRONG** TO
BRING CHILDREN INTO
THE WORLD UNLESS
THE TIME IS RIGHT.



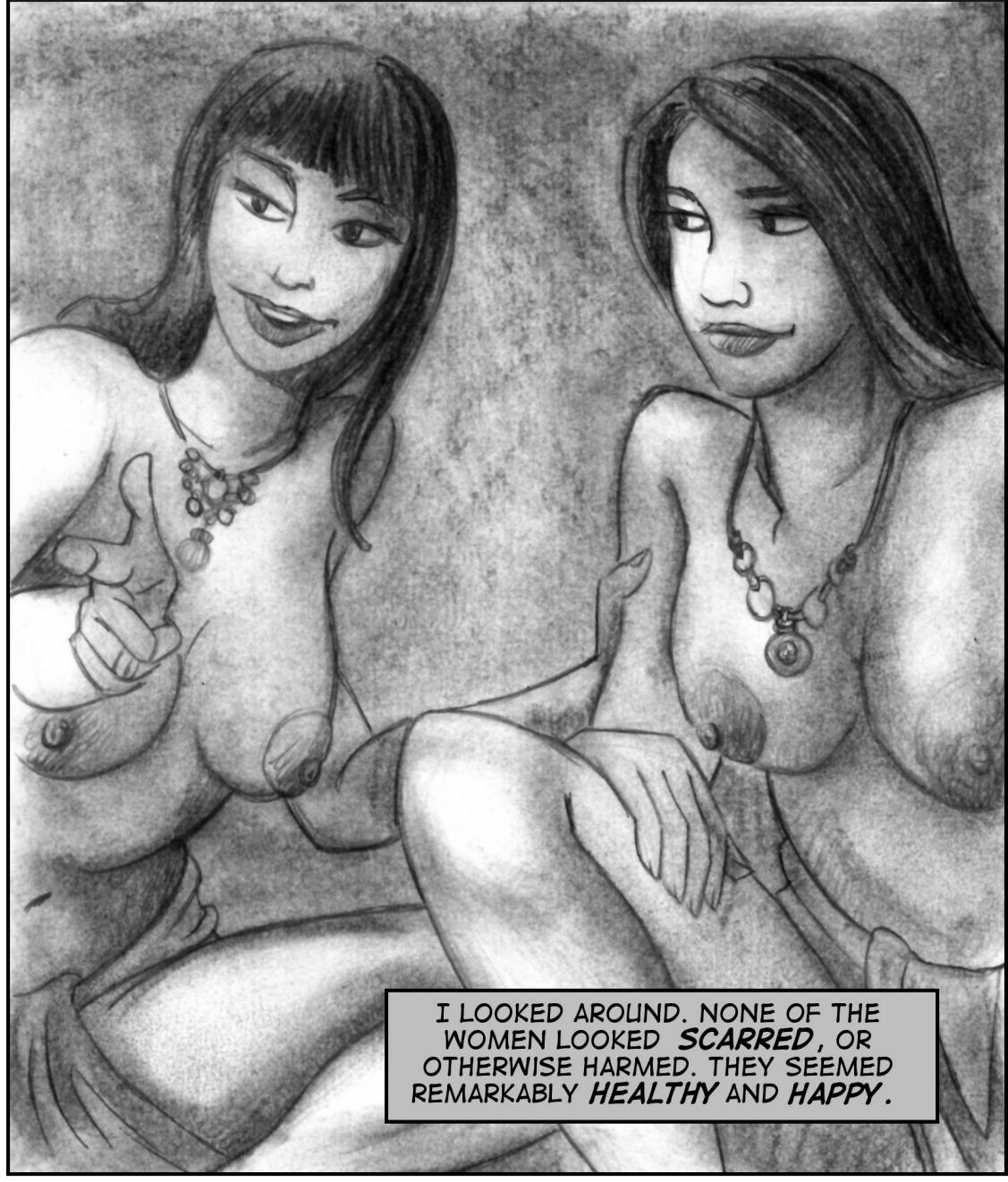
YES. IT IS.

IN AMERICA, THANKS TO
OUR MEDICINE, WE SELDOM
EVEN THINK ABOUT THAT.

WHAT IS THE
INITIATION?



ONLY THE WOMEN
WHO HAVE BEEN
THROUGH IT KNOW.



I LOOKED AROUND. NONE OF THE
WOMEN LOOKED **SCARRED**, OR
OTHERWISE HARMED. THEY SEEMED
REMARKABLY **HEALTHY** AND **HAPPY**.



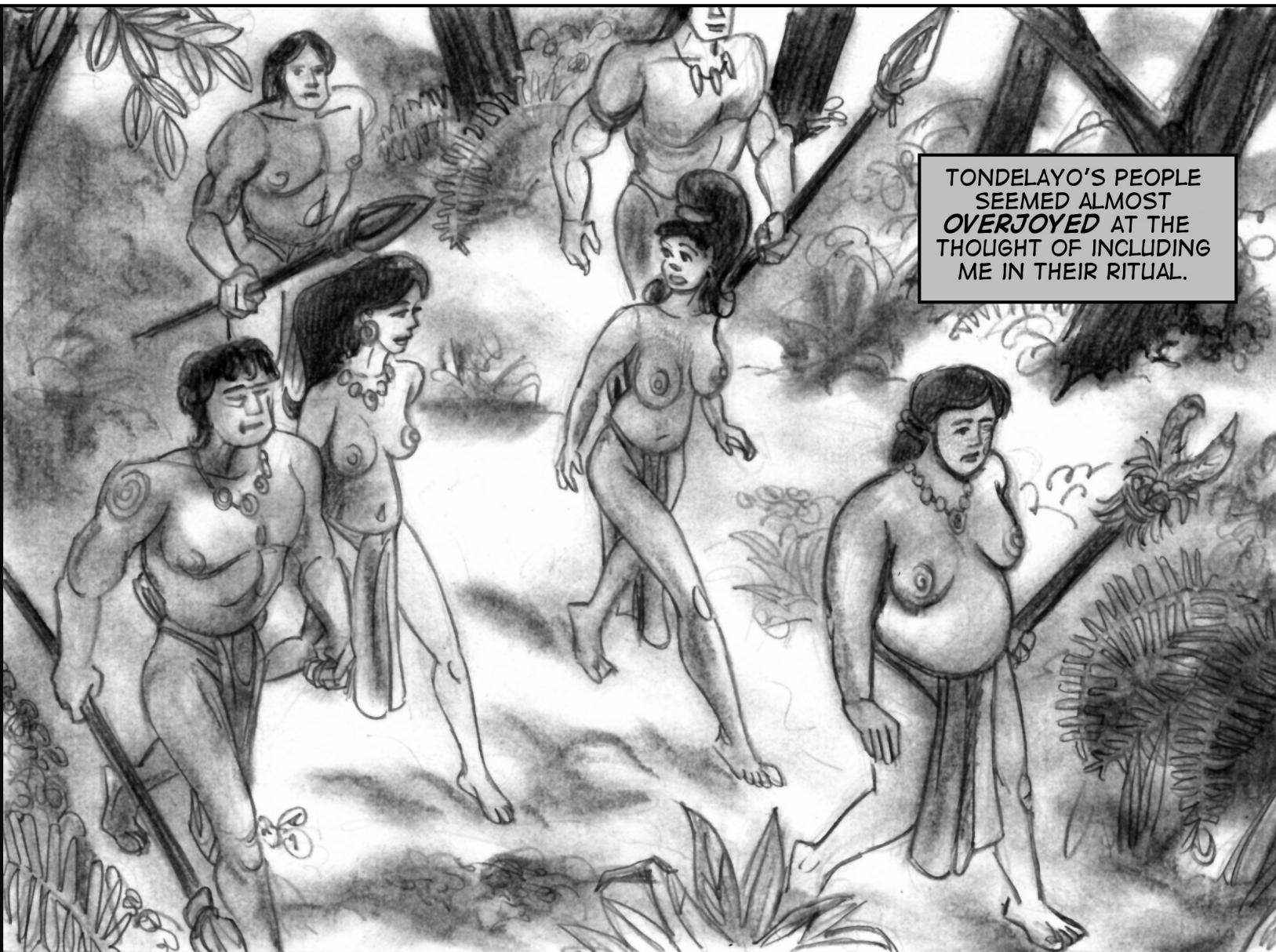
I FEAR WHAT I
DO NOT KNOW.

AND HERE
WAS THIS
BEAUTIFUL,
BRAVE GIRL
WHO HAD
SAVED MY
LIFE...

AND SUDDENLY
I HAD THIS IDEA.

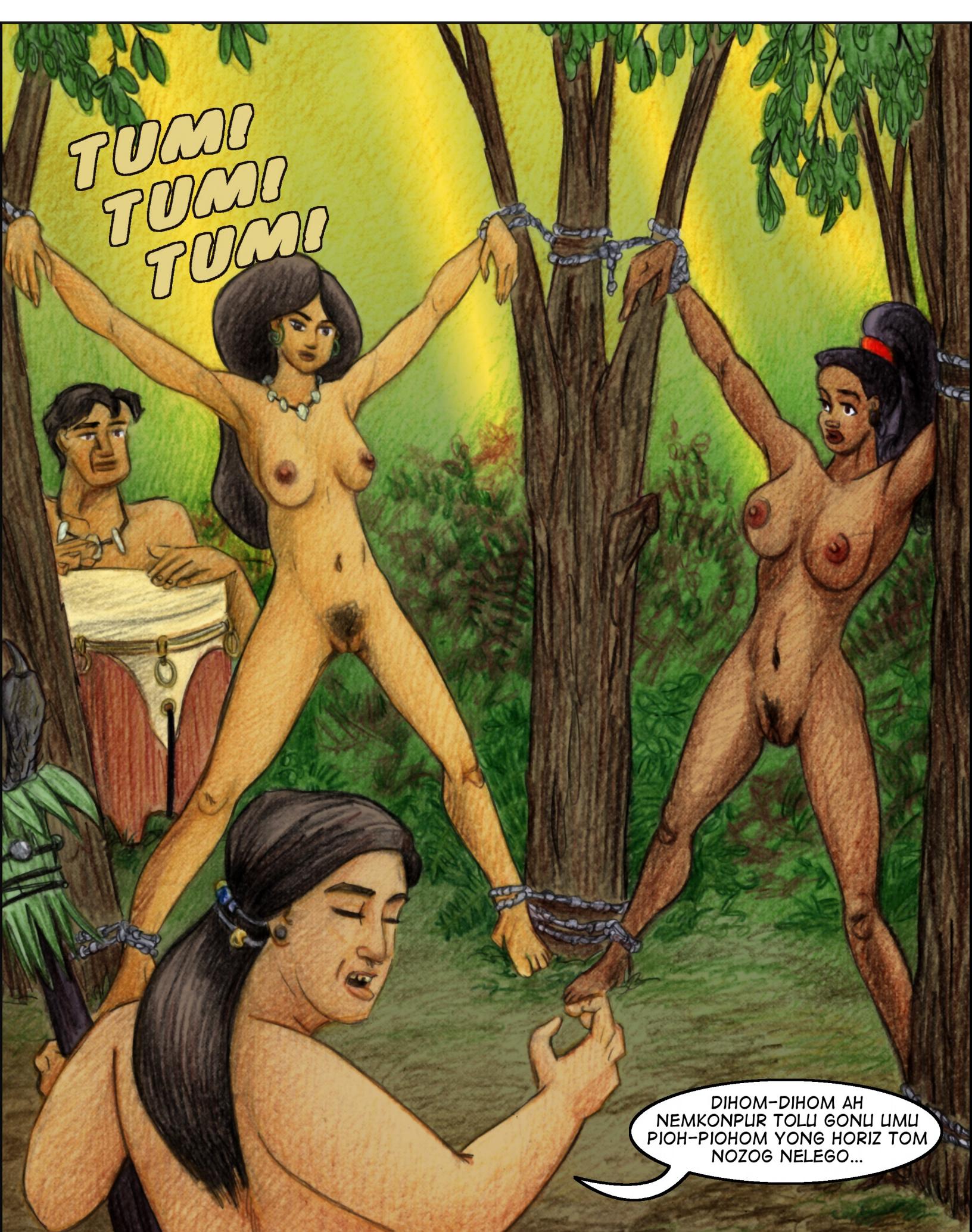


TONDELAYO,
LOOK...

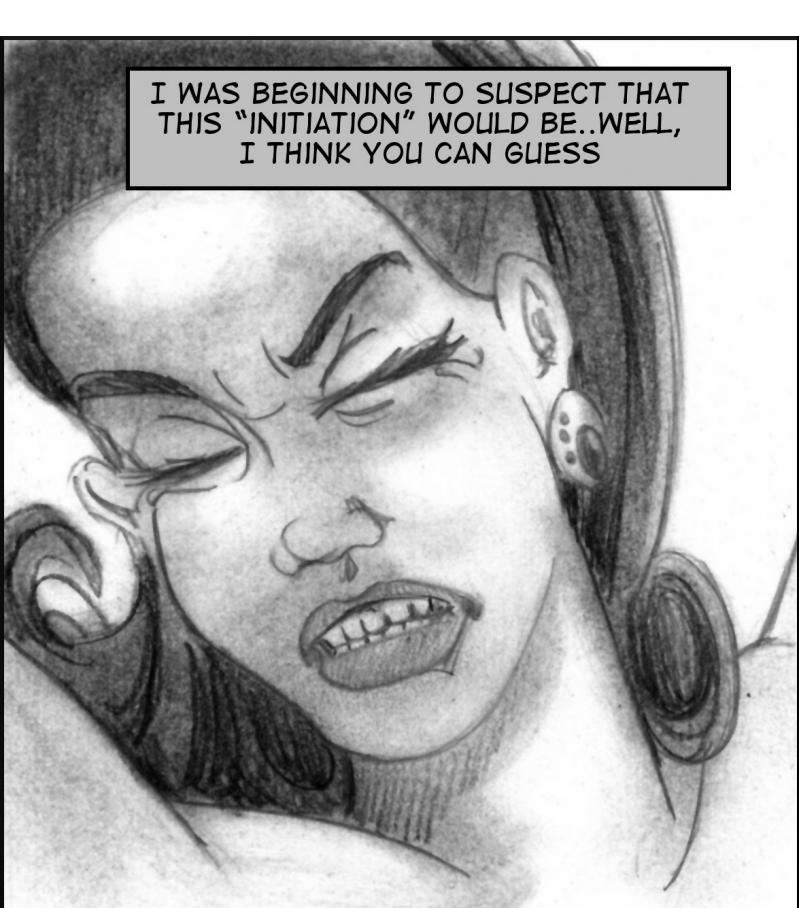




TUMI
TUMI
TUMI



DIHOM-DIHOM AH
NEMKONPLUR TOLU GONLU LIMU
PIOH-PIOHOM YONG HORIZ TOM
NOZOG NELEGO...



I WAS BEGINNING TO SUSPECT THAT
THIS "INITIATION" WOULD BE..WELL,
I THINK YOU CAN GUESS



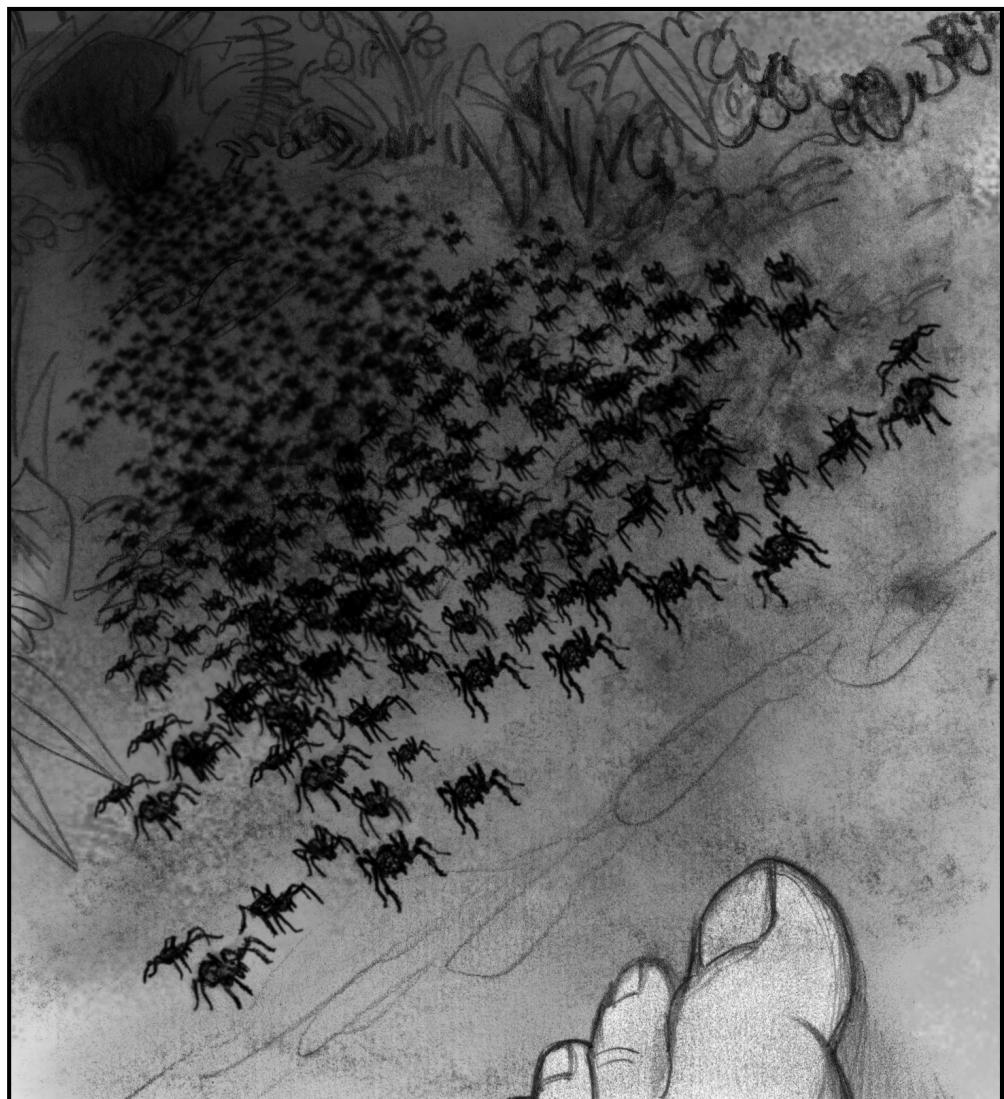
BUT
INSTEAD OF
THAT
EVERYONE
JUST
SUDDENLY
VANISHED
INTO THE
FOREST.

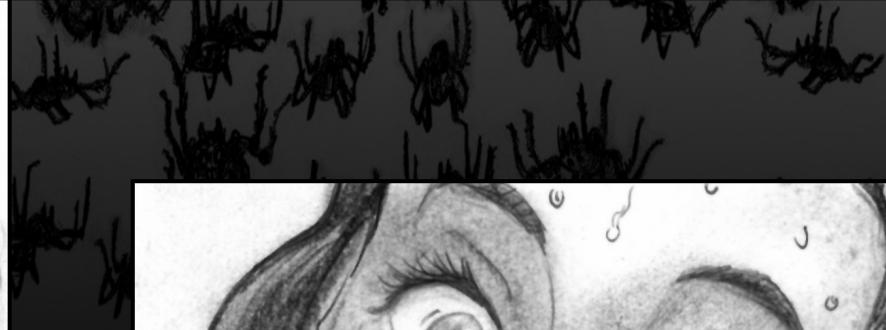
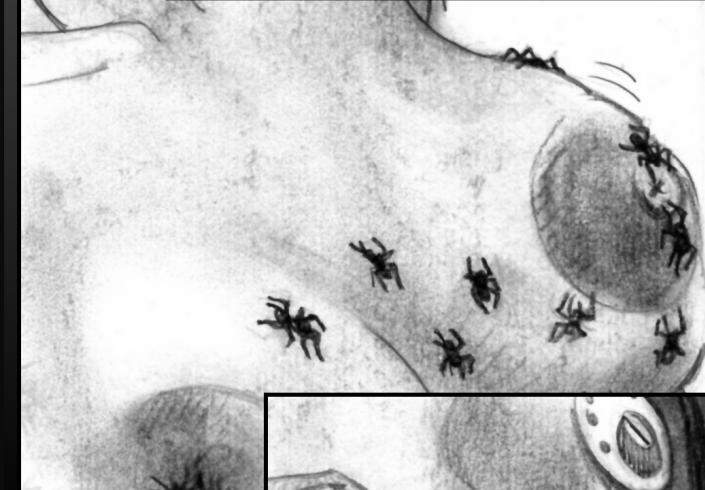
HEY,
TONDELAYO...



I THINK --

CLEO, LOOK!

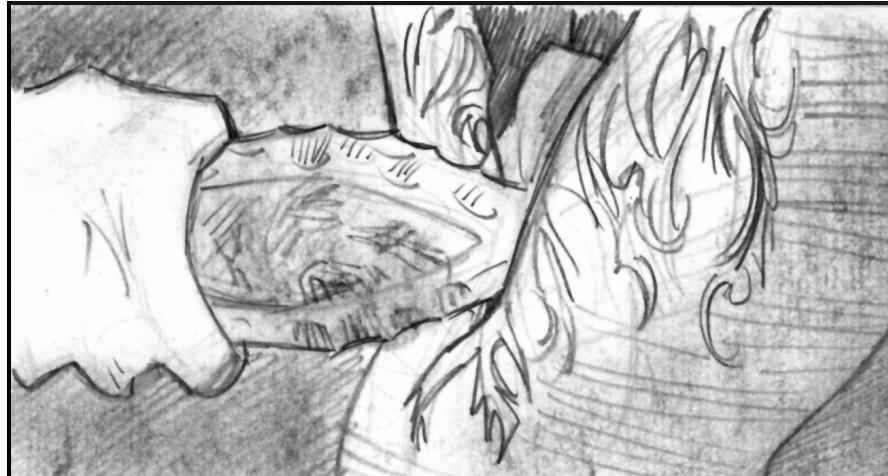


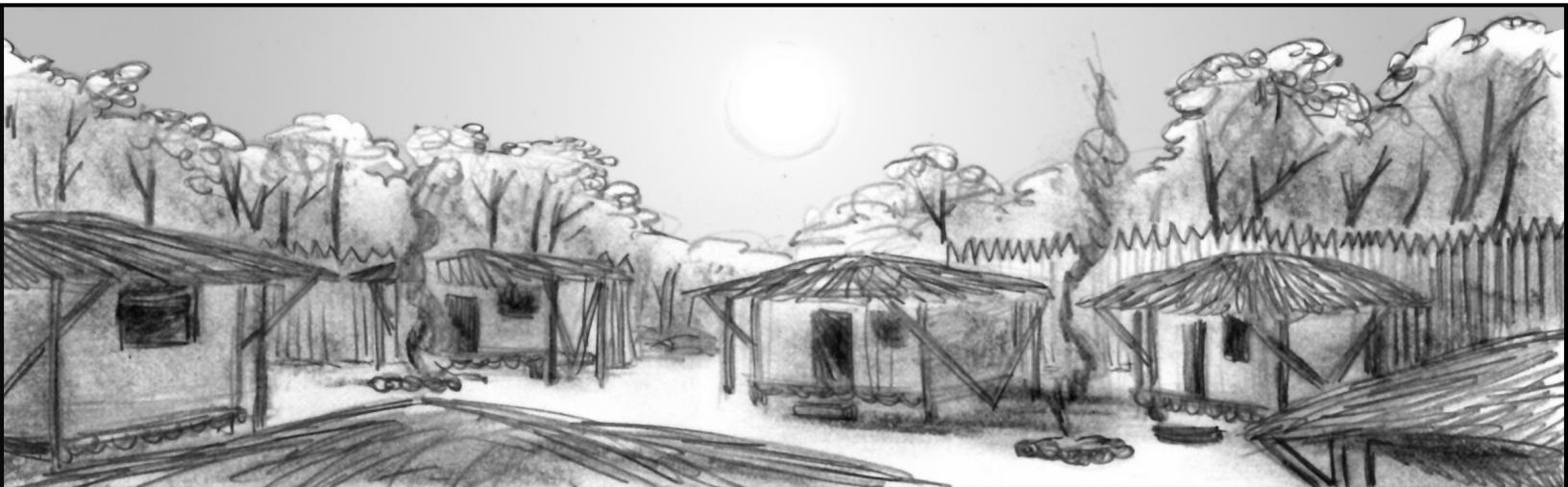


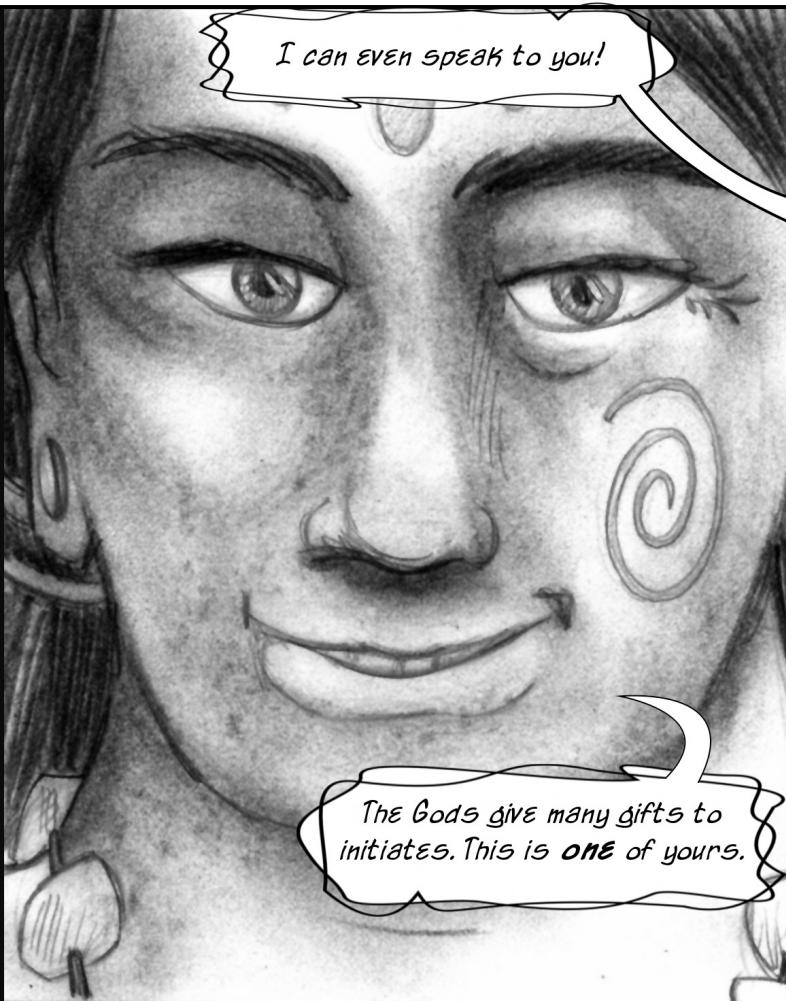


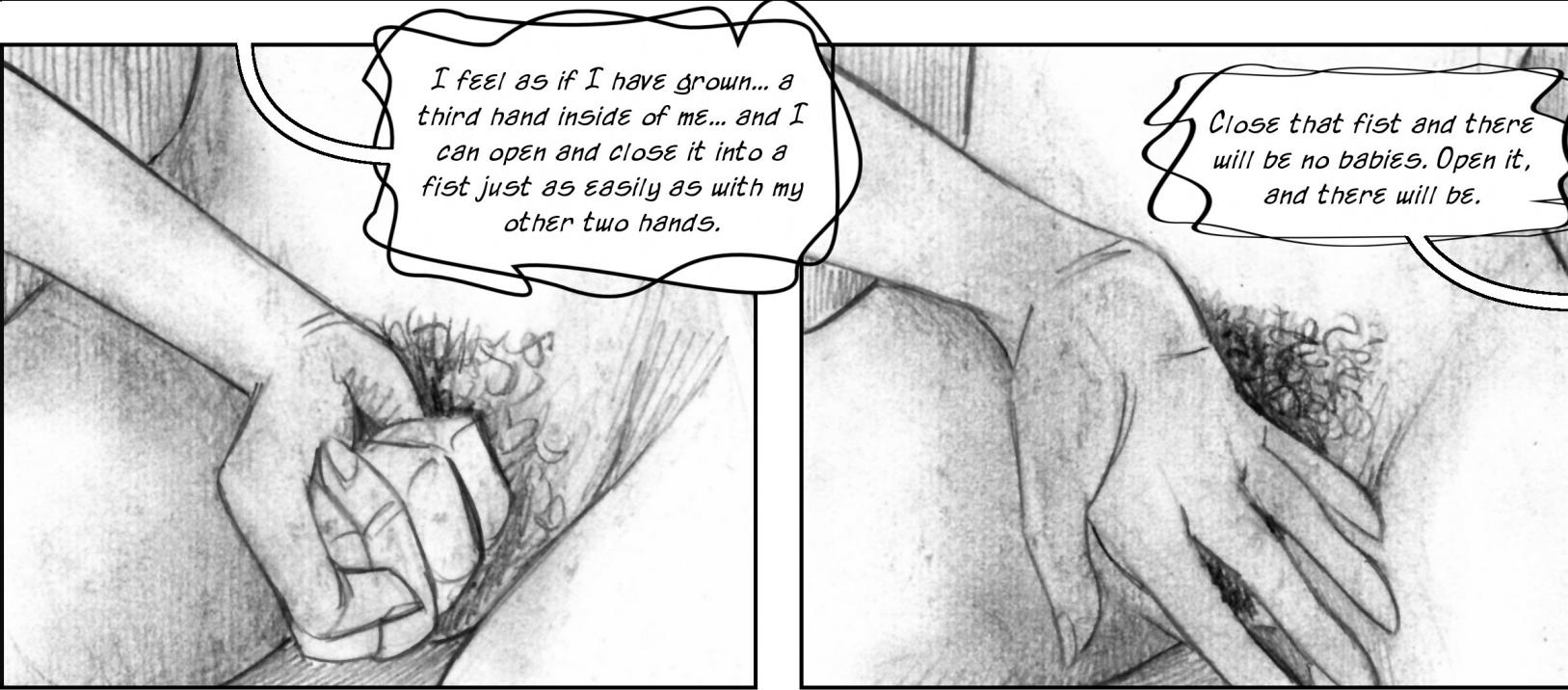


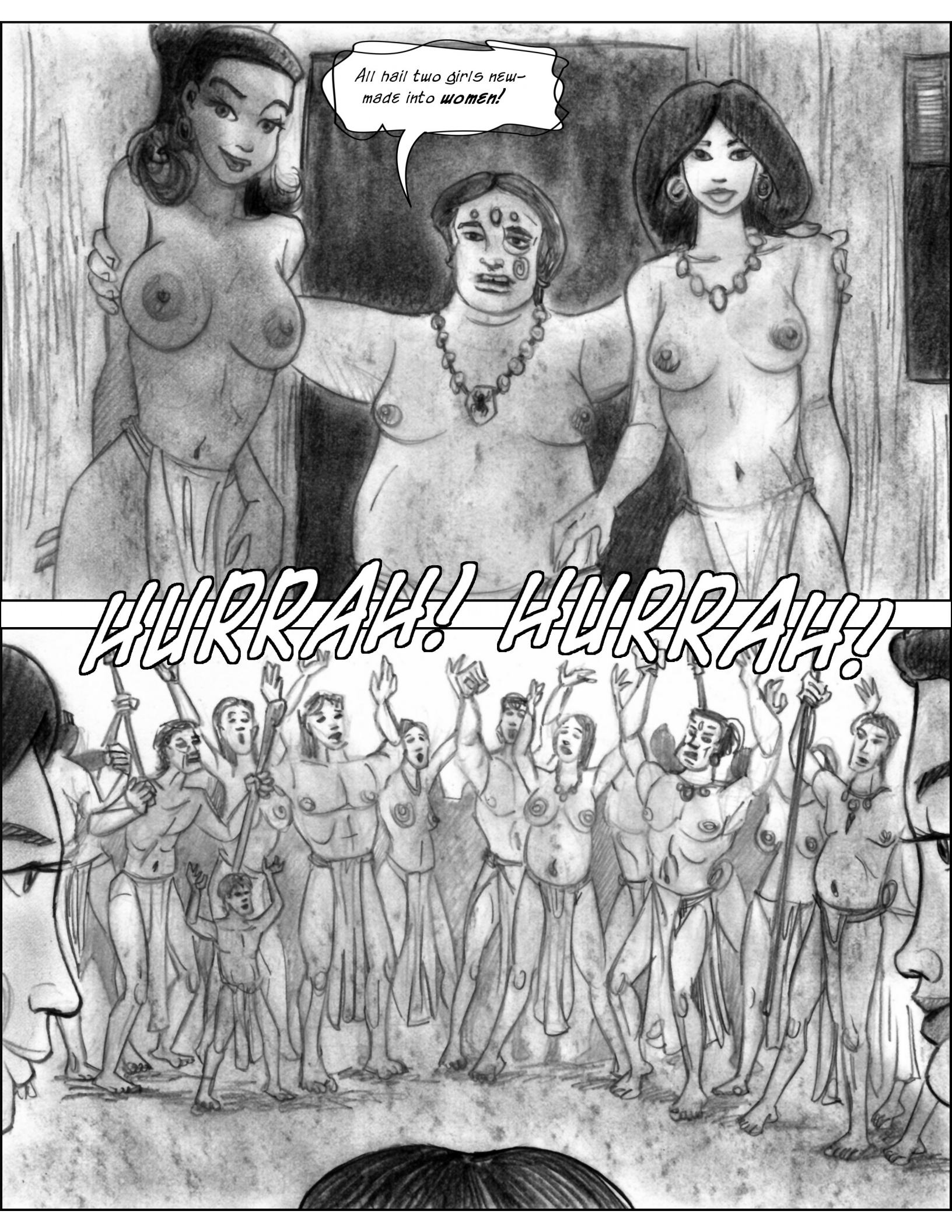












All hail two girls new-made into women!

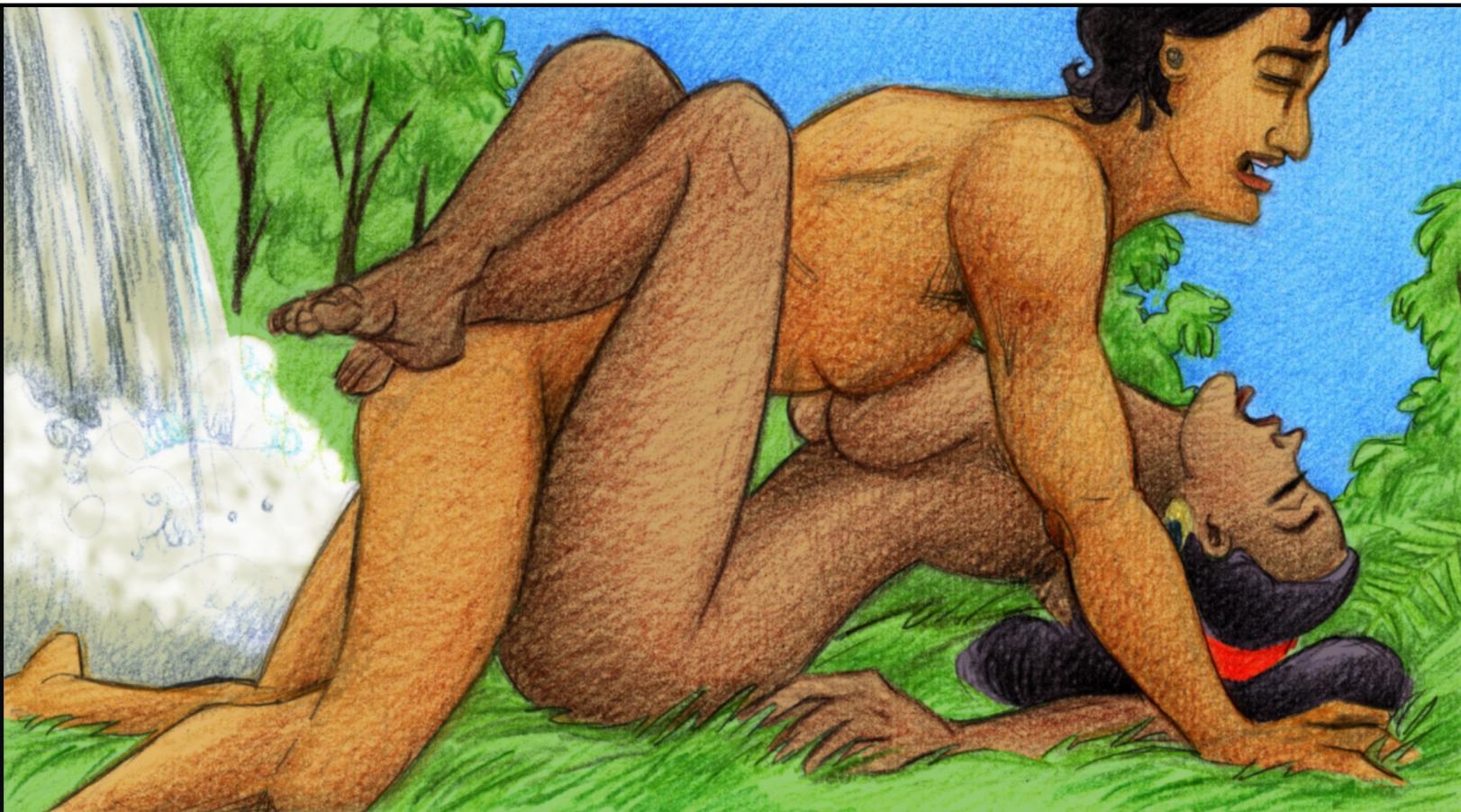
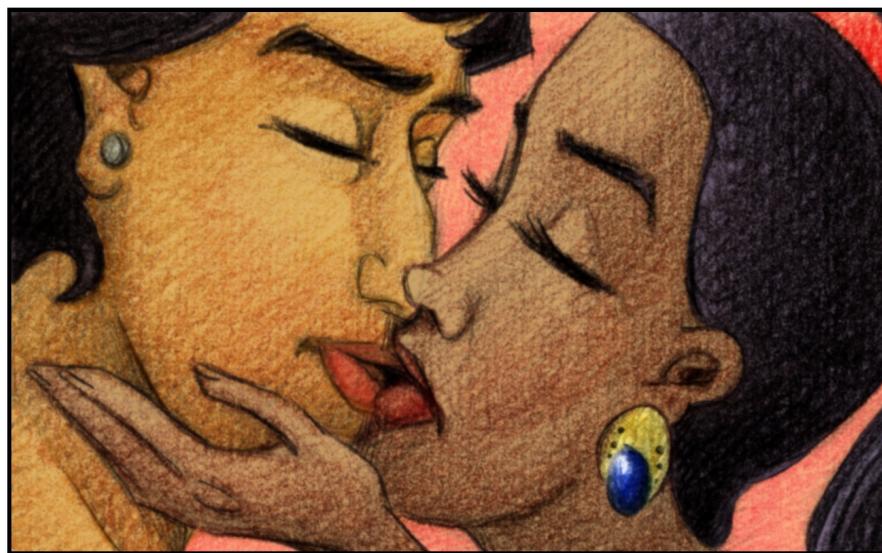
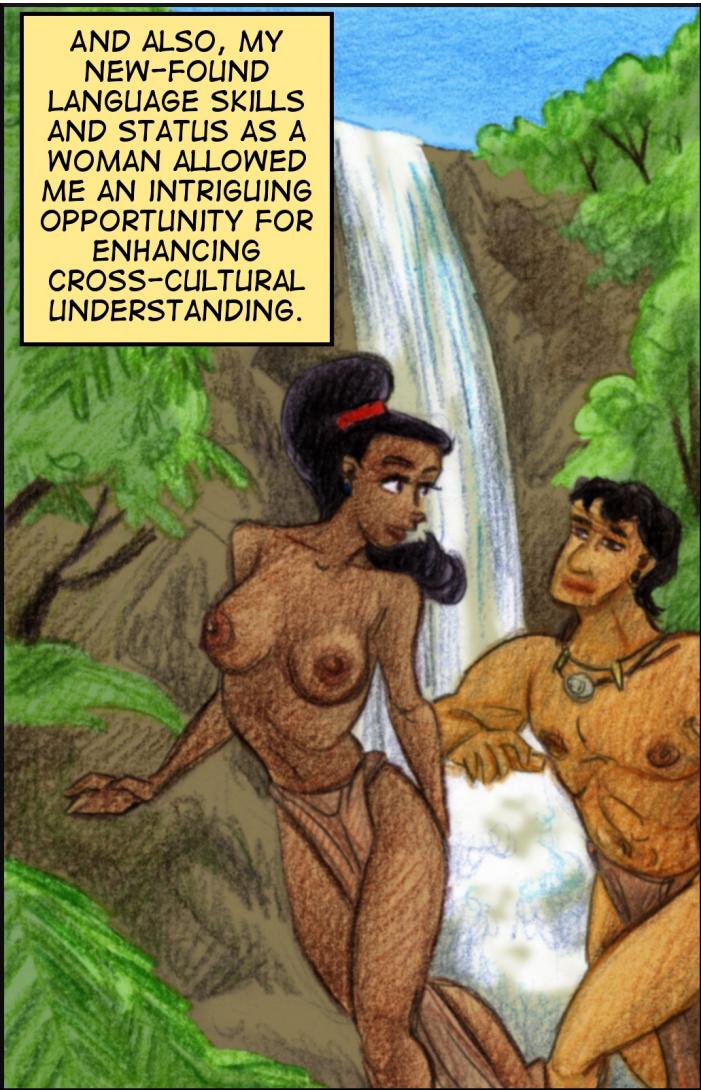
HURRAH! HURRAH!

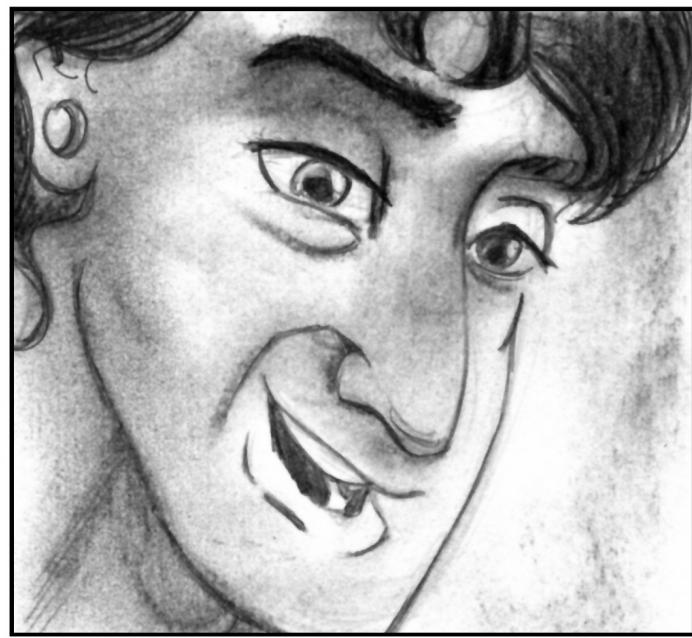


GOOD AND BAD
SEX IS LARGELY A
MATTER OF OUR
INNER WEB OF
BELIEFS, JILL.



AND ALSO, MY NEW-FOUND LANGUAGE SKILLS AND STATUS AS A WOMAN ALLOWED ME AN INTRIGUING OPPORTUNITY FOR ENHANCING CROSS-CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING.





I MANAGED TO FIT
IN RATHER WELL.

I am the great
evil forest demon! I
love to **EAT** little
children!

GIGGLE!

SCREAM!

BUT SOON THERE CAME A
TIME TO LEAVE. I HAD ONE
VERY IMPORTANT GOODBYE.

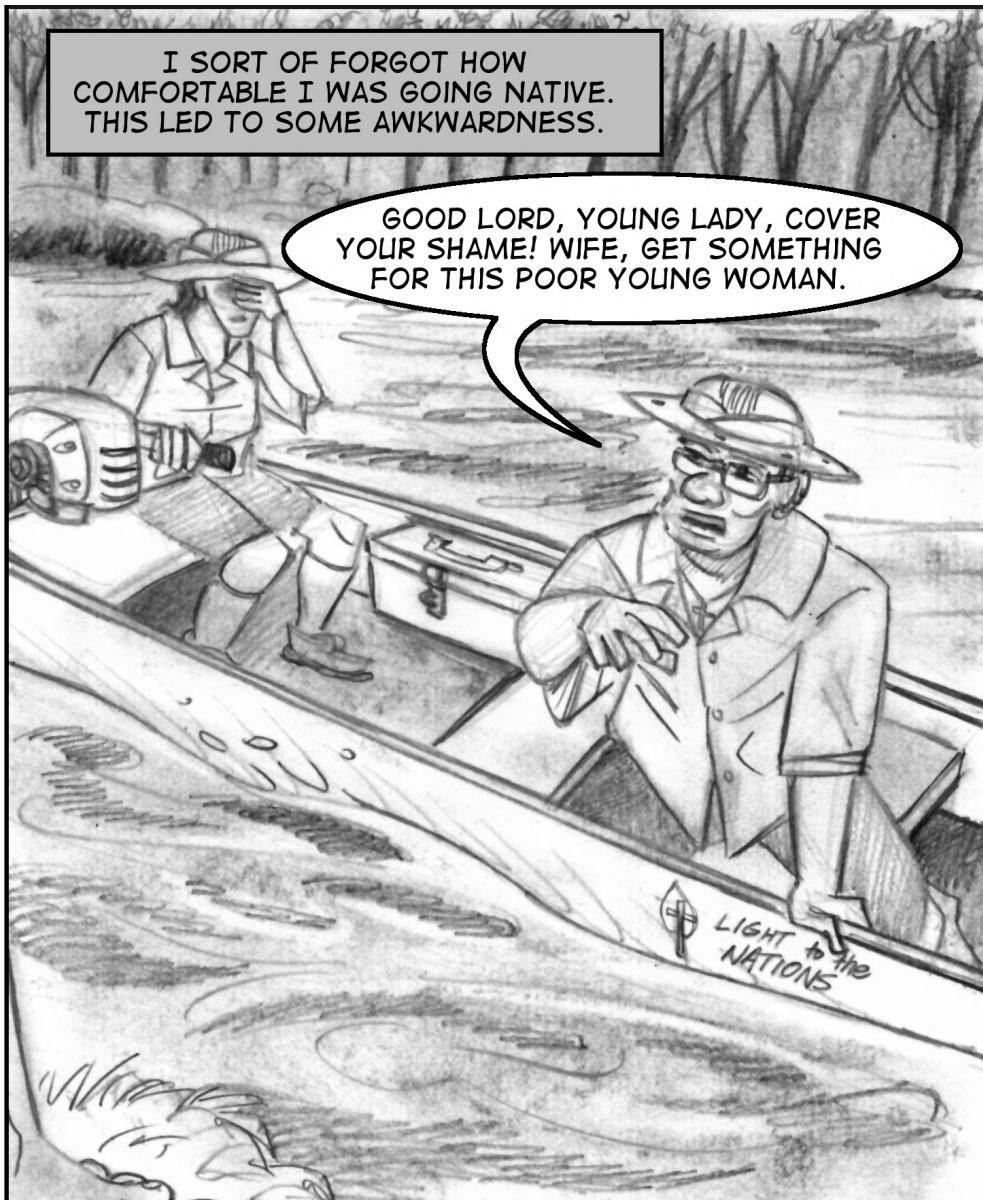
Tondalayo?
I... oh...



AN ARRANGEMENT WAS MADE WITH SOME LOCAL MISSIONARIES TO PICK ME UP. I DIDN'T HAVE MUCH TO PACK.

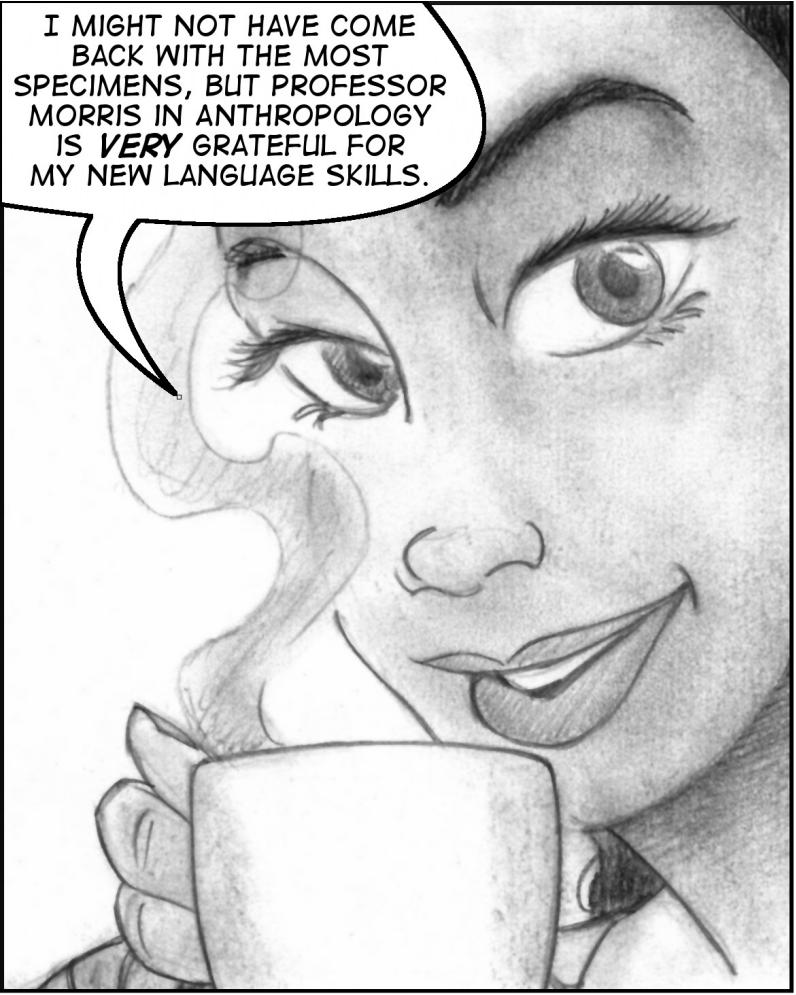


I SORT OF FORGOT HOW COMFORTABLE I WAS GOING NATIVE. THIS LED TO SOME AWKWARDNESS.



YOU SAVAGE!
HOW DARE YOU MOLEST A
YOUNG WOMAN BY
FORCING HER TO DRESS
LIKE THIS!



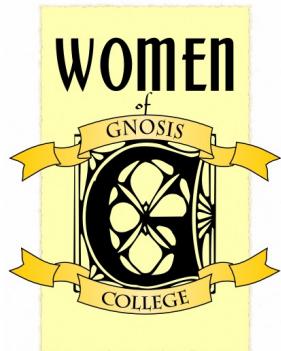


I MIGHT NOT HAVE COME
BACK WITH THE MOST
SPECIMENS, BUT PROFESSOR
MORRIS IN ANTHROPOLOGY
IS **VERY** GRATEFUL FOR
MY NEW LANGUAGE SKILLS.

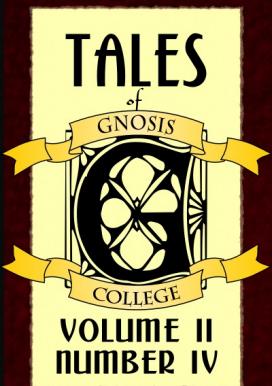


I WONDER WHAT THE WISE
WOMAN MEANT BY SAYING THAT
YOUR LANGUAGE ABILITY WAS
JUST **ONE** OF YOUR GIFTS.



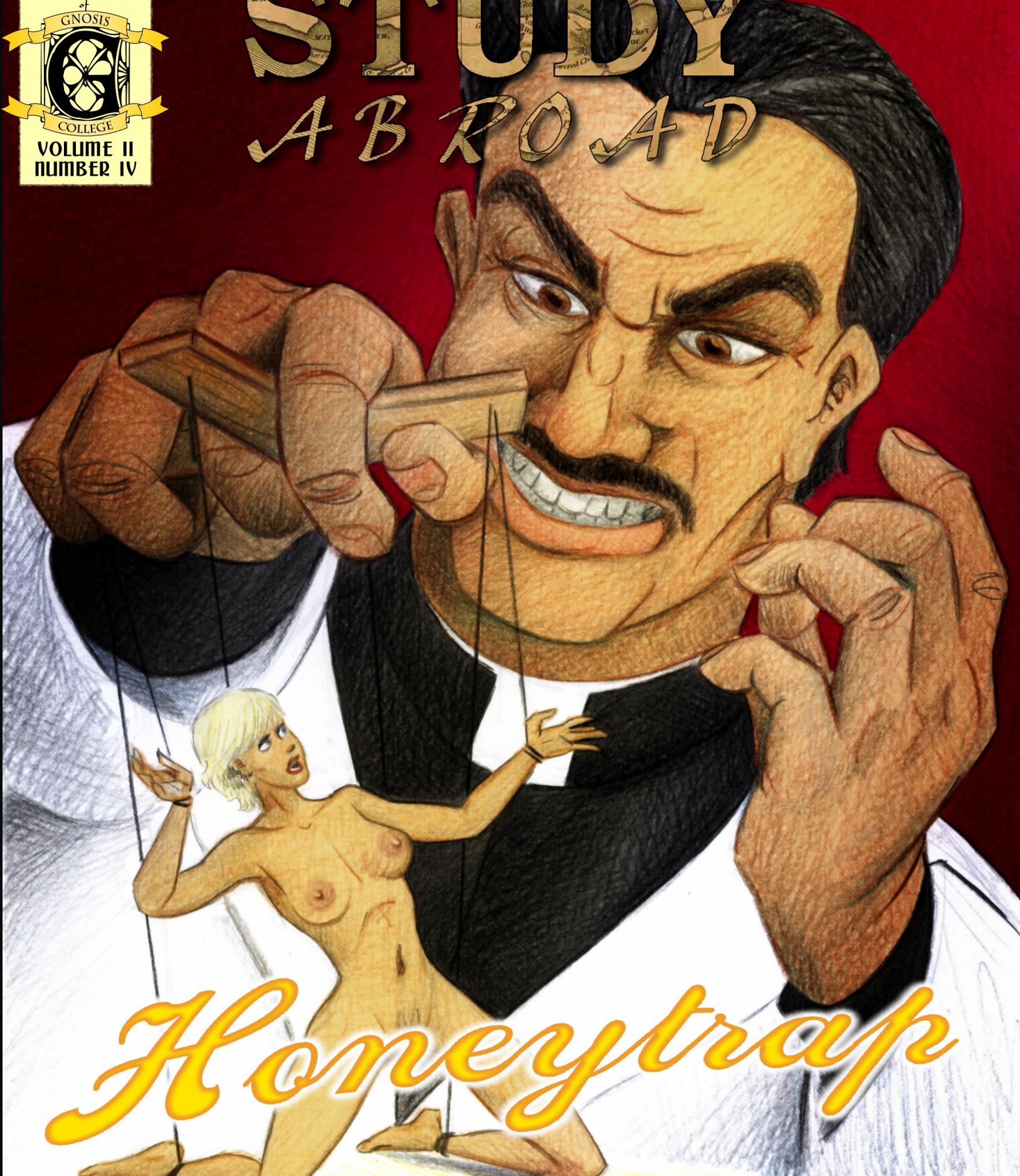


BEFORE SHE WENT OFF TO DO BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH IN A DISTANT RAINFOREST, CLEO MOUNT WAS TOLD THAT TO GET THE MOST FROM HER EXPERIENCE, SHE NEEDED NOT JUST TO OBSERVE WHAT IS DIFFERENT, BUT TO EMBRACE IT. CLEO FOUND WHAT WAS DIFFERENT IN A STUNNING NATIVE GIRL, TONDELAYO, AND PROVED HERSELF A DILIGENT STUDENT INDEED...



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Honeytrap



WELL, I'LL CONCEDE YOU PERIL. I UNDERSTAND YOU NARROWLY ESCAPED SOME REAL DISORDER.

ESCORTED HOME BY SOME STRAPPING UNITED STATES MARINES, IN FACT.

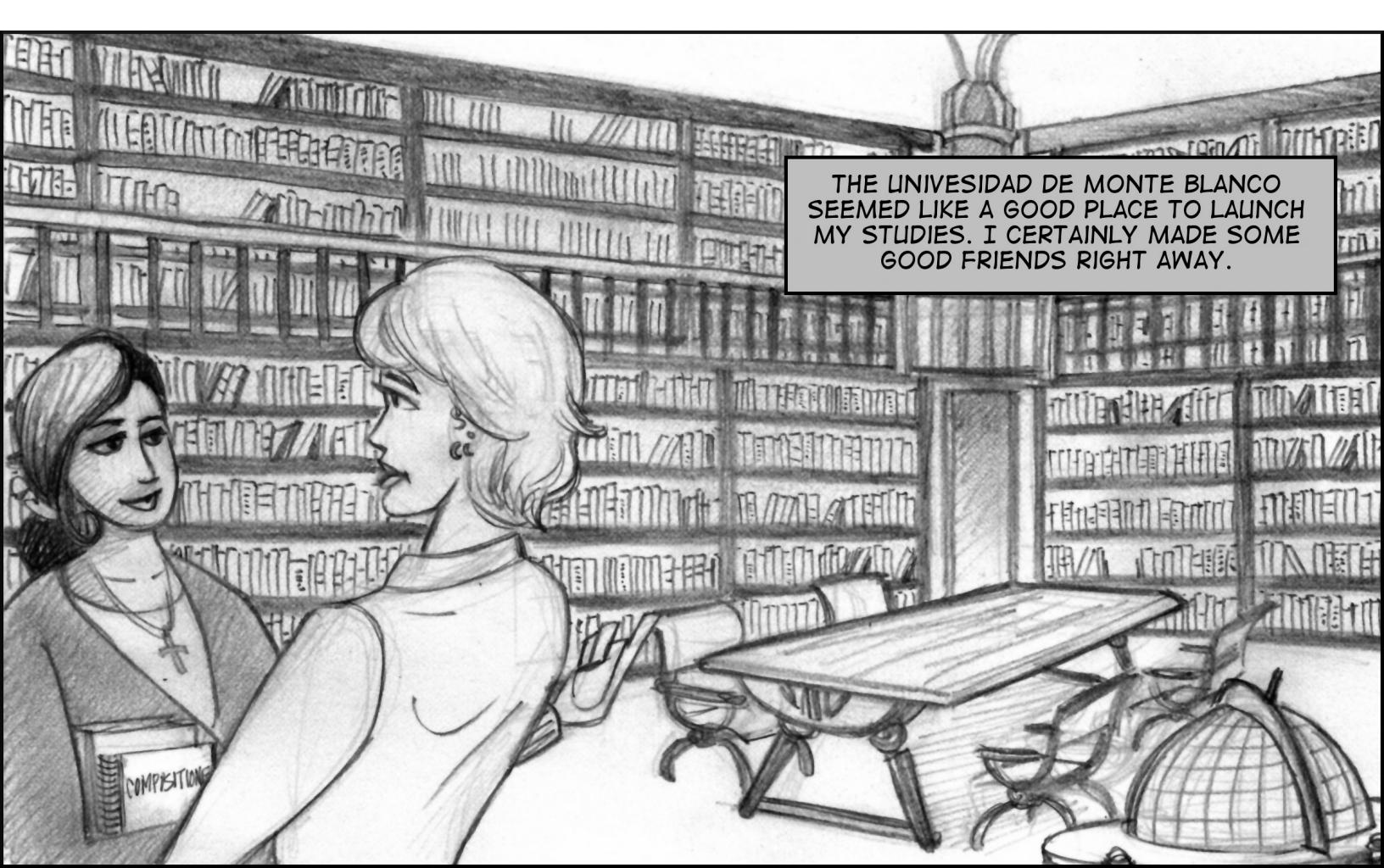
EVEN ON THE WAY IN FROM THE AIRPORT, IT WAS EVIDENT THAT MONTE BLANCO WAS AT ONCE A PLACE OF DEEP POVERTY...

..AND GREAT,
AMORAL WEALTH.

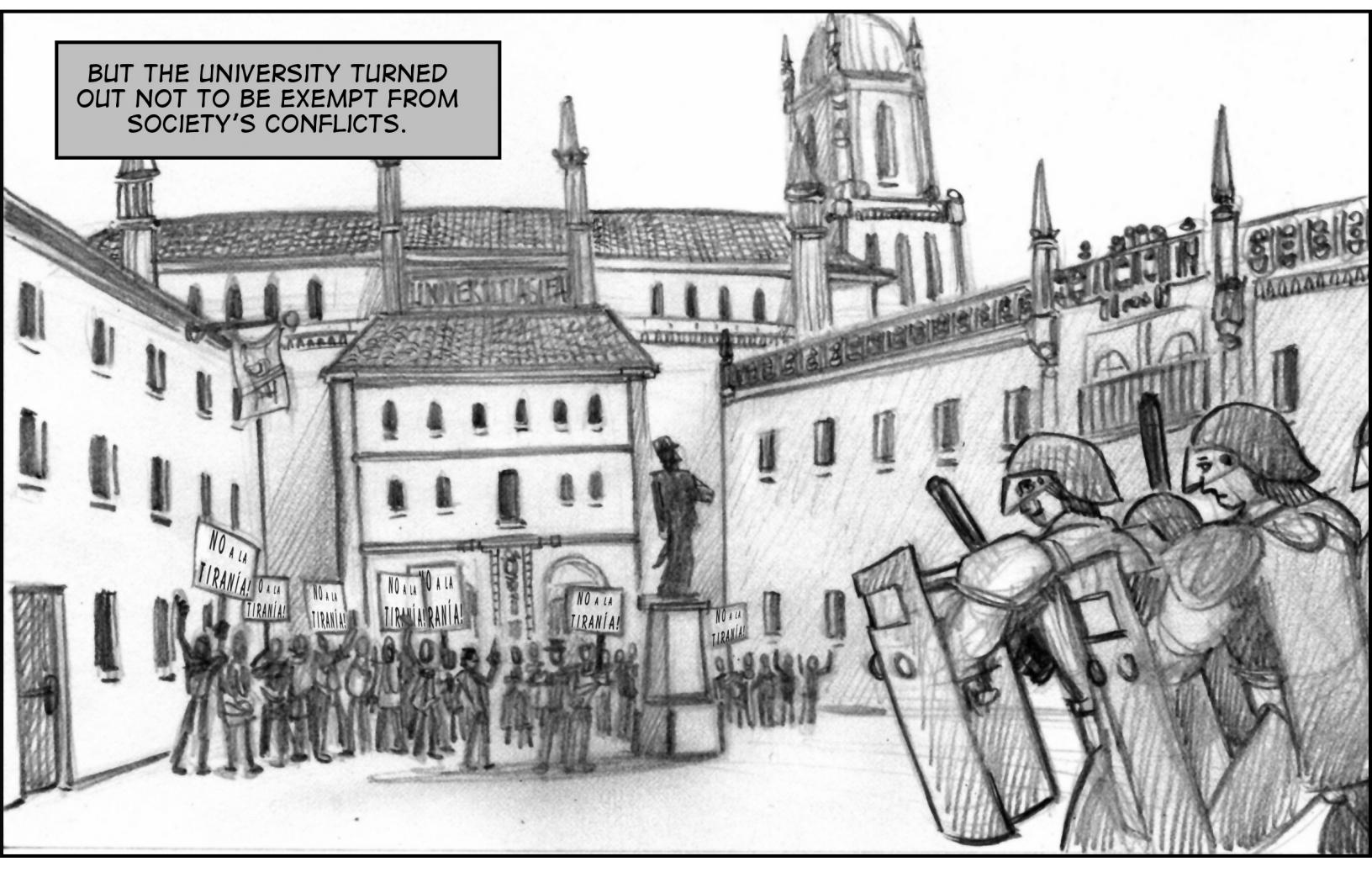
A DICTATOR CALLED EL
GENERALISSIMO KEPT THINGS SWEET
FOR THOSE WHO HAD THE WEALTH.

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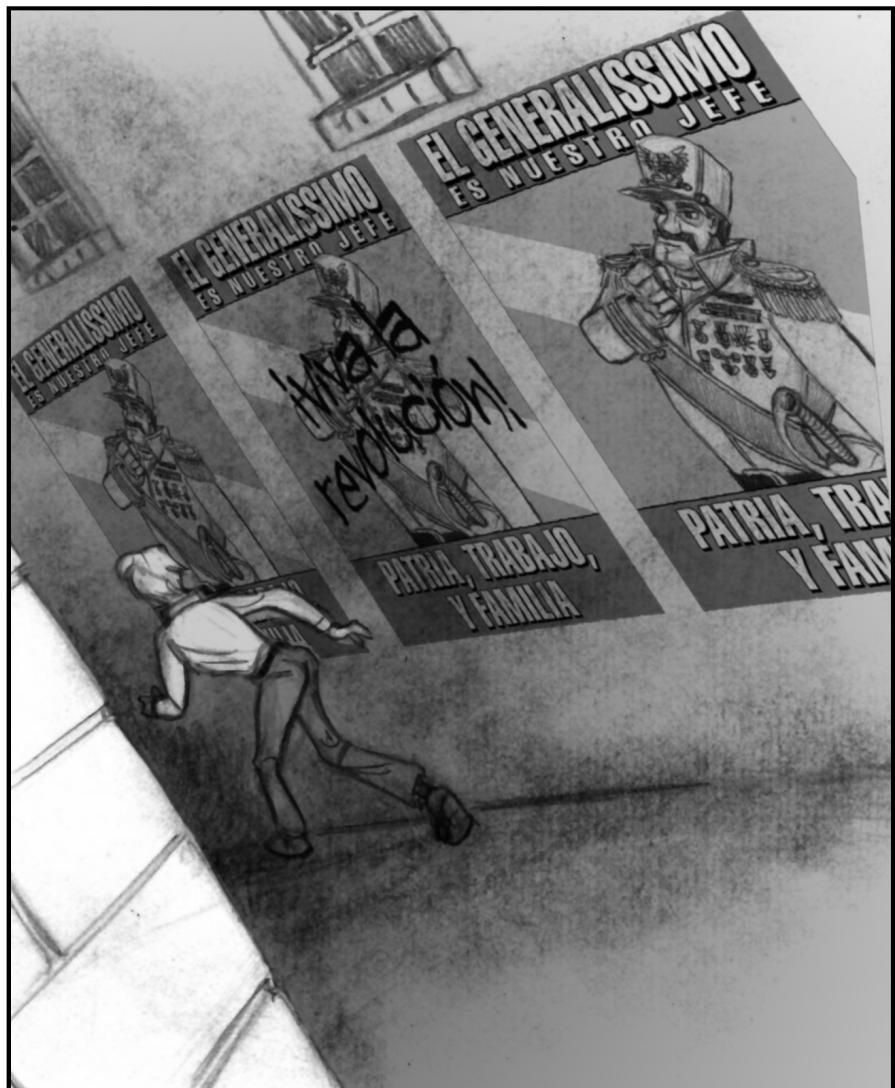
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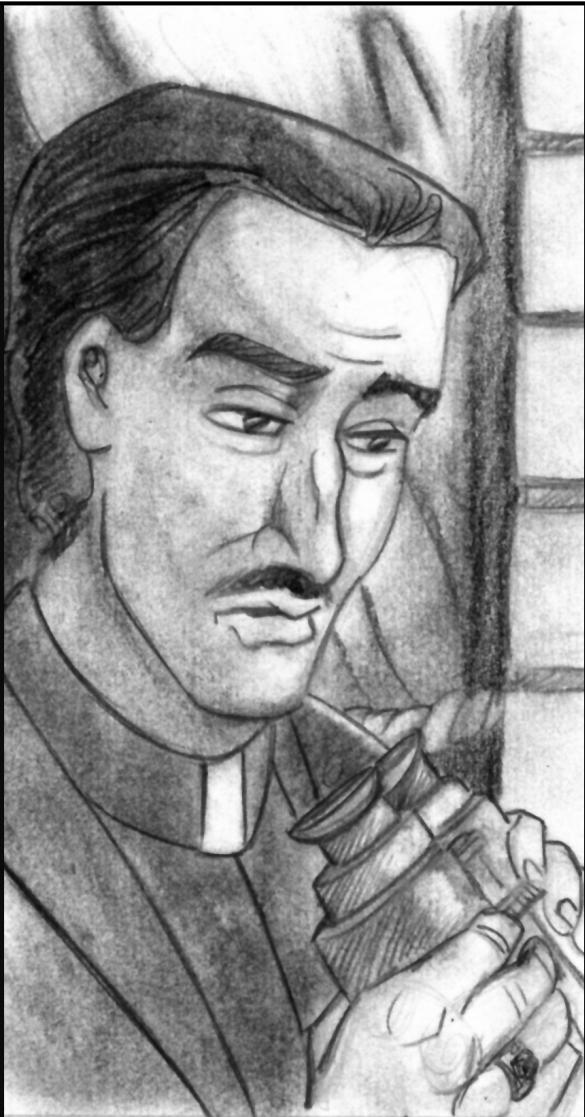
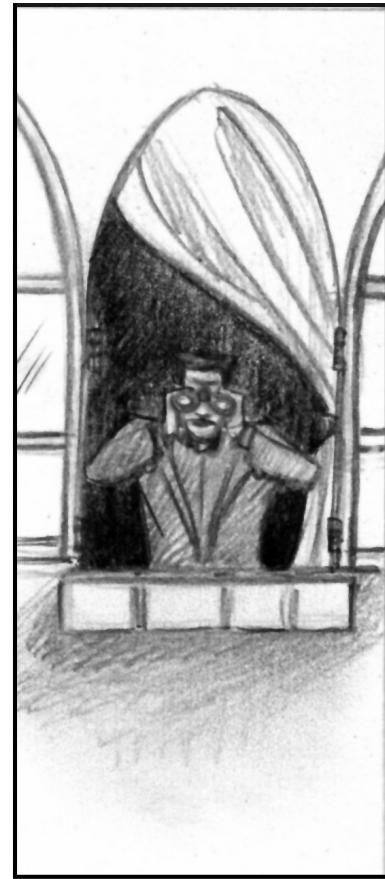
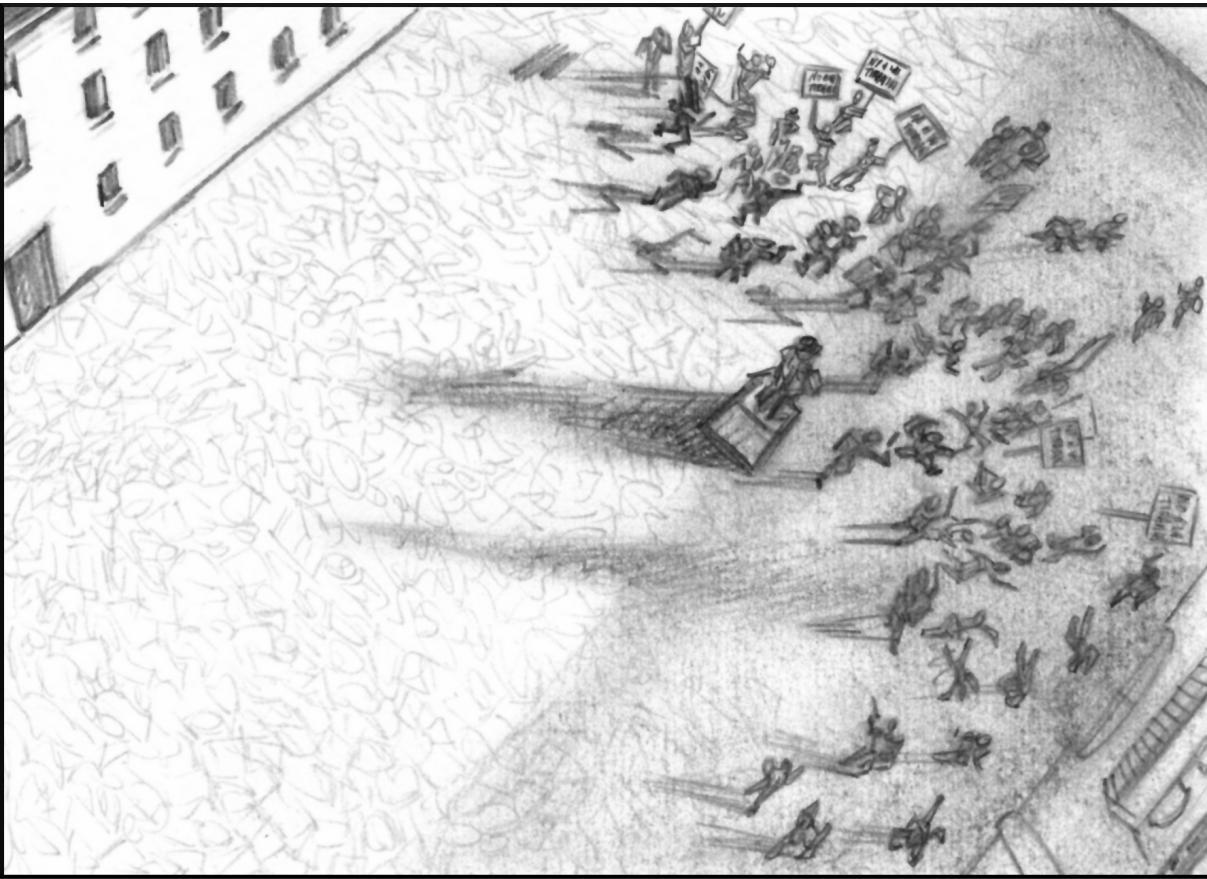


THE UNIVERSIDAD DE MONTE BLANCO
SEEMED LIKE A GOOD PLACE TO LAUNCH
MY STUDIES. I CERTAINLY MADE SOME
GOOD FRIENDS RIGHT AWAY.

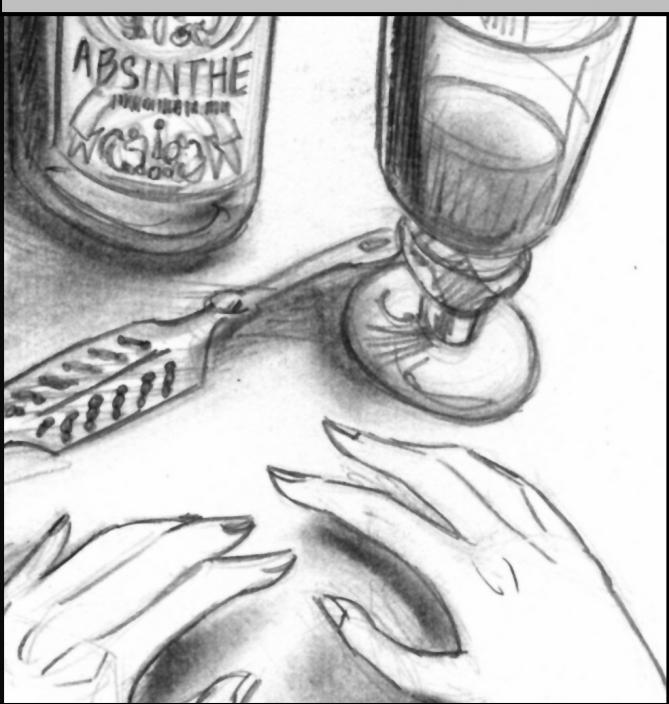


BUT THE UNIVERSITY TURNED
OUT NOT TO BE EXEMPT FROM
SOCIETY'S CONFLICTS.





MONTE BLANCO GETS A LOT OF ITS SECURITY BUDGET FROM THE U.S. TAXPAYER, SO I WAS UNLIKELY TO BE IN MUCH TROUBLE MYSELF.



BUT IT WAS STILL ALL TOO MUCH TO BEAR WITHOUT CHEMICAL ASSISTANCE.



ABSINTHE AT MID-DAY?
YOU MUST BE CARRYING SERIOUS TROUBLES,
SEÑORITA.

I RAN AWAY
FROM A FRIEND WHO
WAS BEING...



HERE IS NOT
A *GOOD* PLACE
TO TALK,
SEÑORITA.

YOU SHOULD
COME TO
CONFESSON.

IGNACIO LOPEZ
OPS: IGLESIA DE NUESTRA
SEÑORA DE LA
MISERICORDIA: PLAZA DE
LA INDEPENDENCIA.

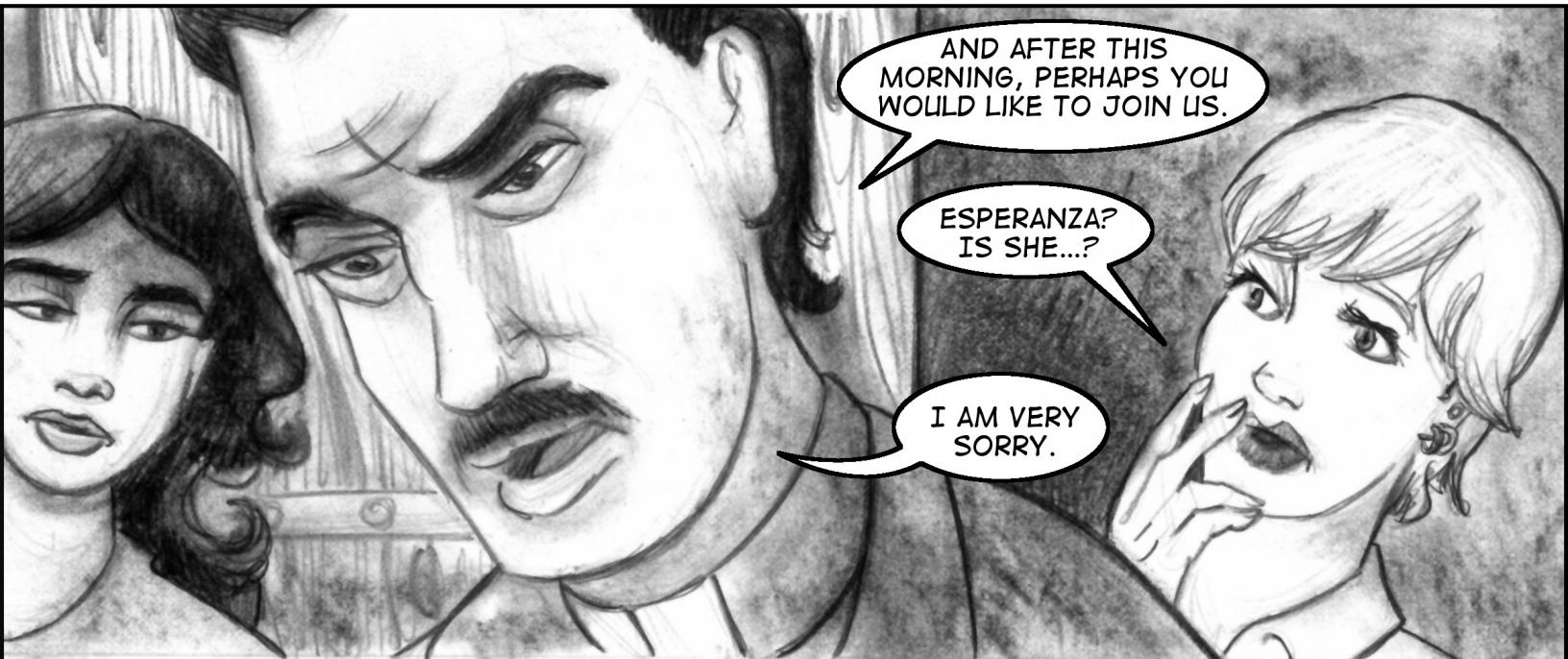
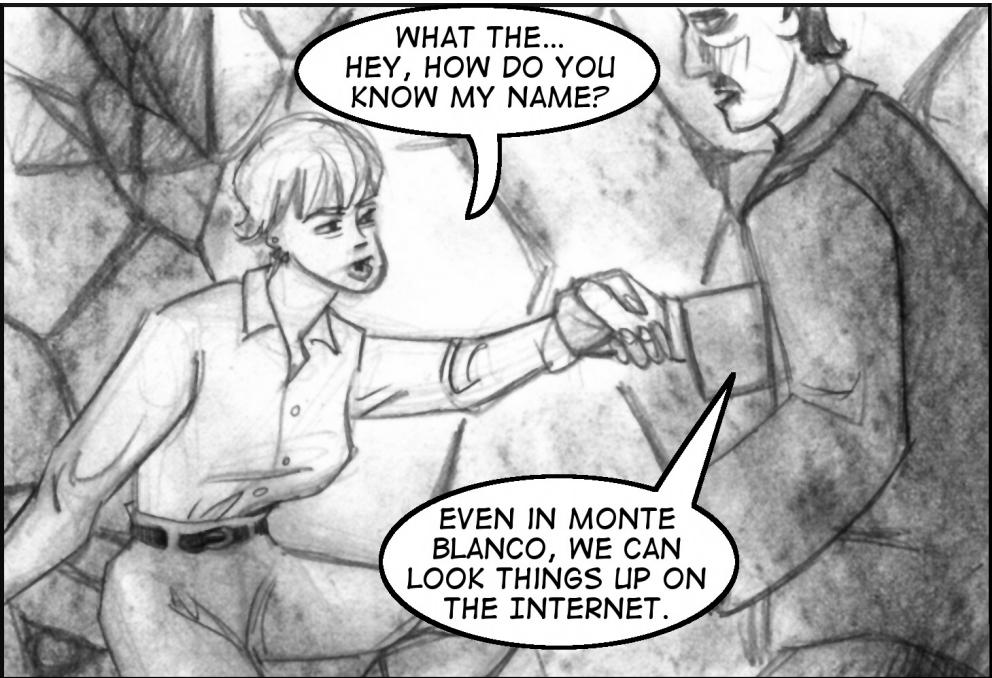
WHY I WENT TO
"CONFESSON" I'M NOT
REALLY SURE.

MAYBE I JUST
NEEDED SOMEONE —
ANYONE — TO TALK

PULL!

Para obtener
ayuda, por
favor, tire de
la cuerda.







IS WAS A
COWARD. I
RAN AWAY.

IT IS NOT
COWARDICE
TO RETREAT IN THE
FACE OF SUPERIOR
BRUTE FORCE.

THE INTERNET HAS A NEWS
STORY ABOUT HOW YOU SAVED
A BABY WHEN YOU YOURSELF
WERE JUST A *CHILD!*

AND HOW NOT
MUCH LATER YOUR
TESTIMONY PUT A STOP TO
THE ABUSES OF A SON OF A
POWERFUL MAN.

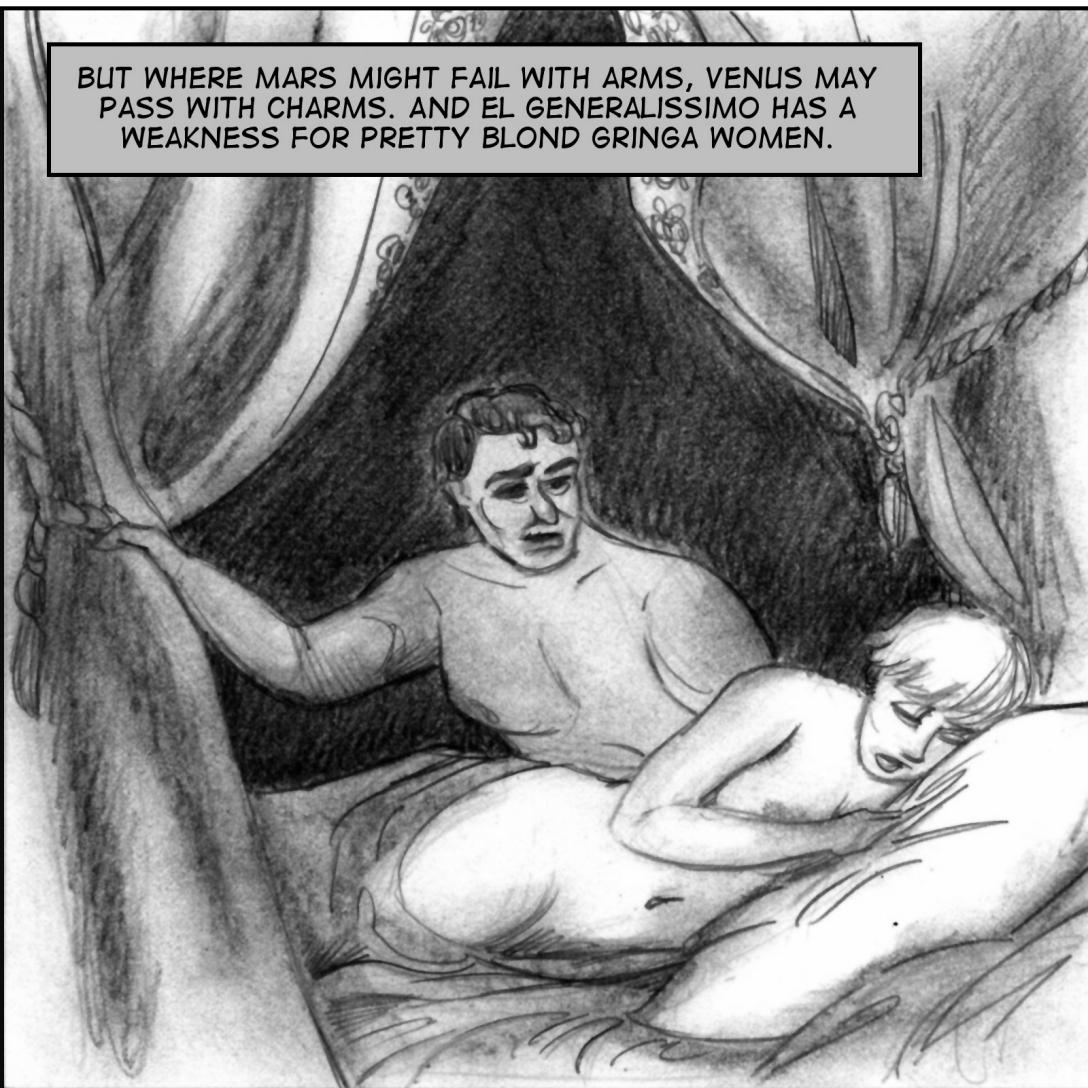
AND WHAT
CAN ONE
GIRL DO
AGAINST A
DICATOR?



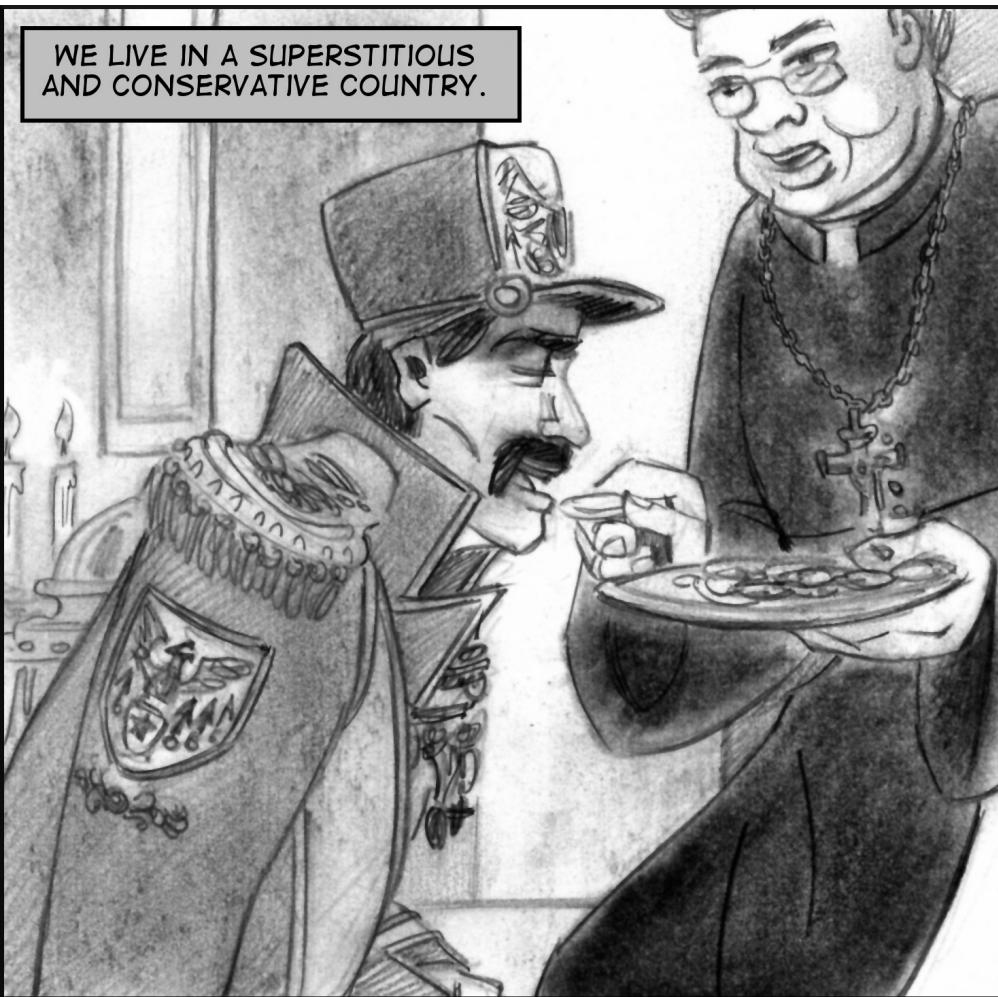
ANY DIRECT ASSAULT AGAINST EL GENERALISSIMO WOULD OF COURSE BE FOLLY. HE SELDOM LEAVES HIS FORTRESS OF A PALACE.



BUT WHERE MARS MIGHT FAIL WITH ARMS, VENUS MAY PASS WITH CHARMS. AND EL GENERALISSIMO HAS A WEAKNESS FOR PRETTY BLOND GRINGA WOMEN.



WE LIVE IN A SUPERSTITIOUS
AND CONSERVATIVE COUNTRY.



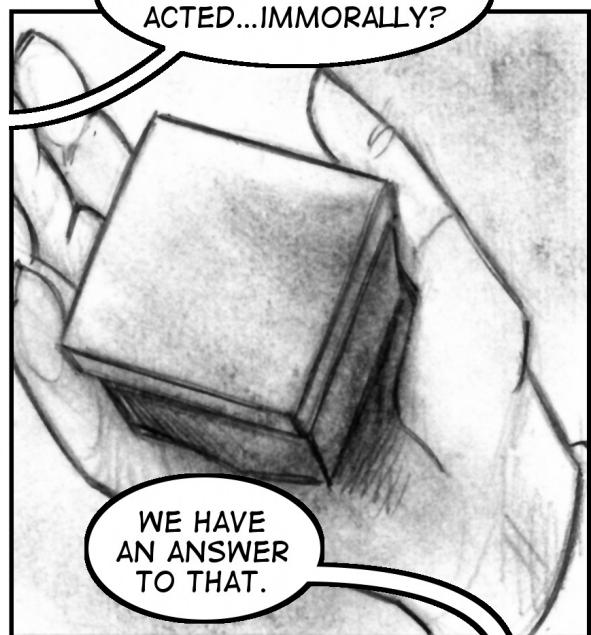
WHICH IS
ONE REASON
WHY WE CAN BE
SAFE, DEEP
UNDERNEATH A
CHURCH.



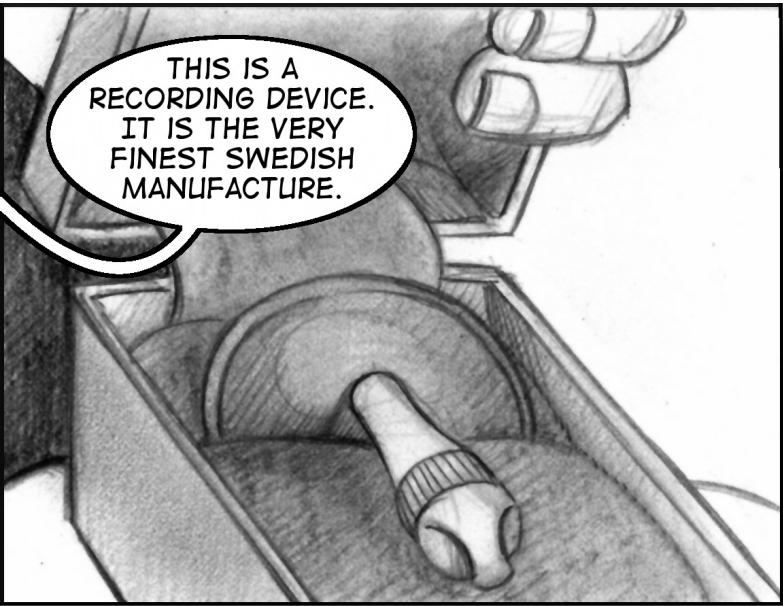
WERE THERE TO
BE DEFINITIVE
PROOF THAT EL
GENERALISSIMO
WERE BEHAVING
IMMORALLY...WE
COULD HAVE THE
OPENING
NECESSARY TO
UNSEAT HIM.



AND HOW WOULD
ANYONE PROVE HE HAD
ACTED...IMMORALLY?



WE HAVE
AN ANSWER
TO THAT.

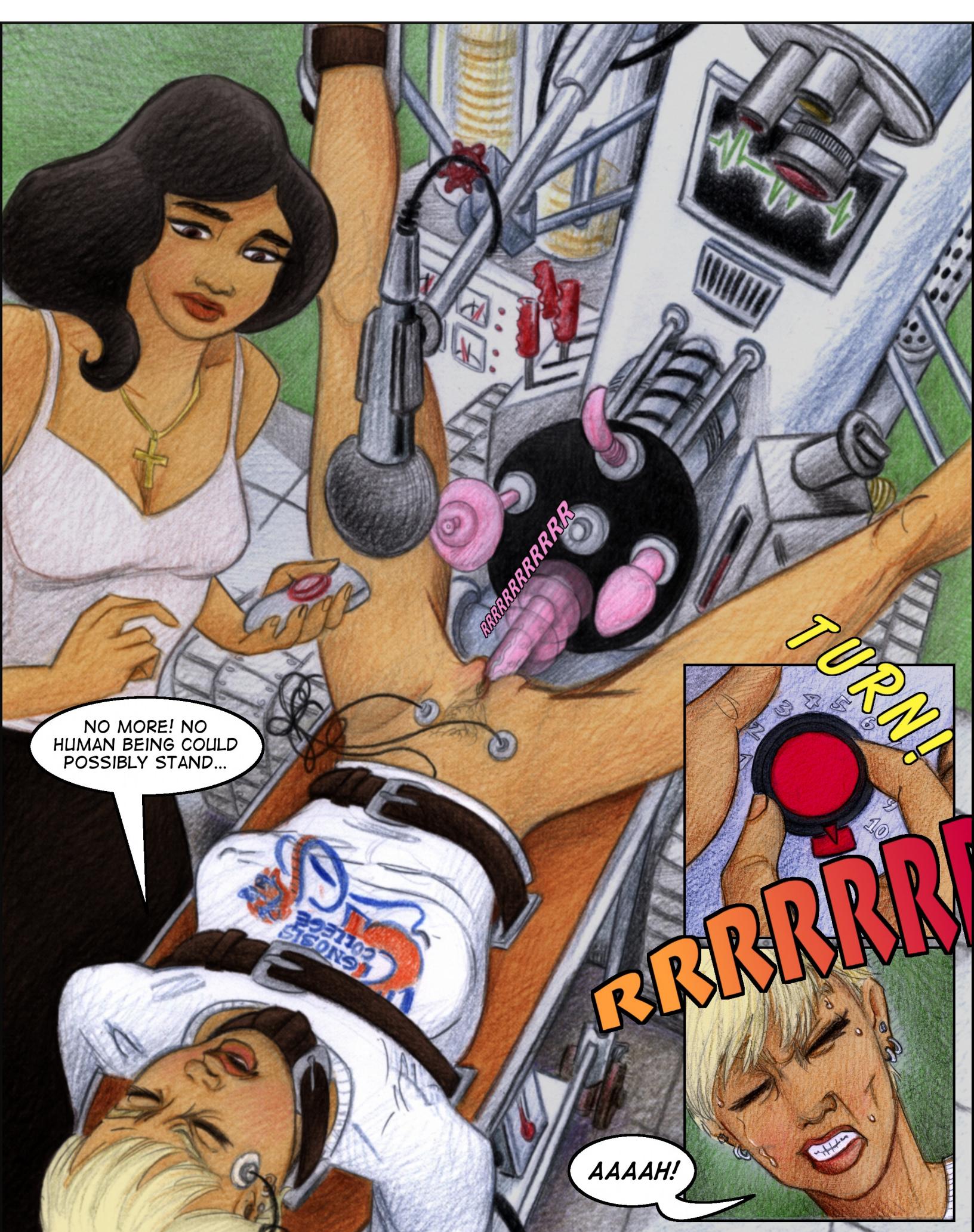


IT WASN'T QUITE SO SIMPLE AS THAT. FATHER LOPEZ INSISTED ON "TRAINING," JUSTIFYING THIS ON THE GROUNDS THAT EL GENERALISSIMO'S STRANGE APPETITES WOULD REQUIRE IT.

EVEN FOR AN ATHLETE LIKE ME, TRAINING WAS PHYSICALLY DEMANDING.

AND MORE THAN A LITTLE KINKY.





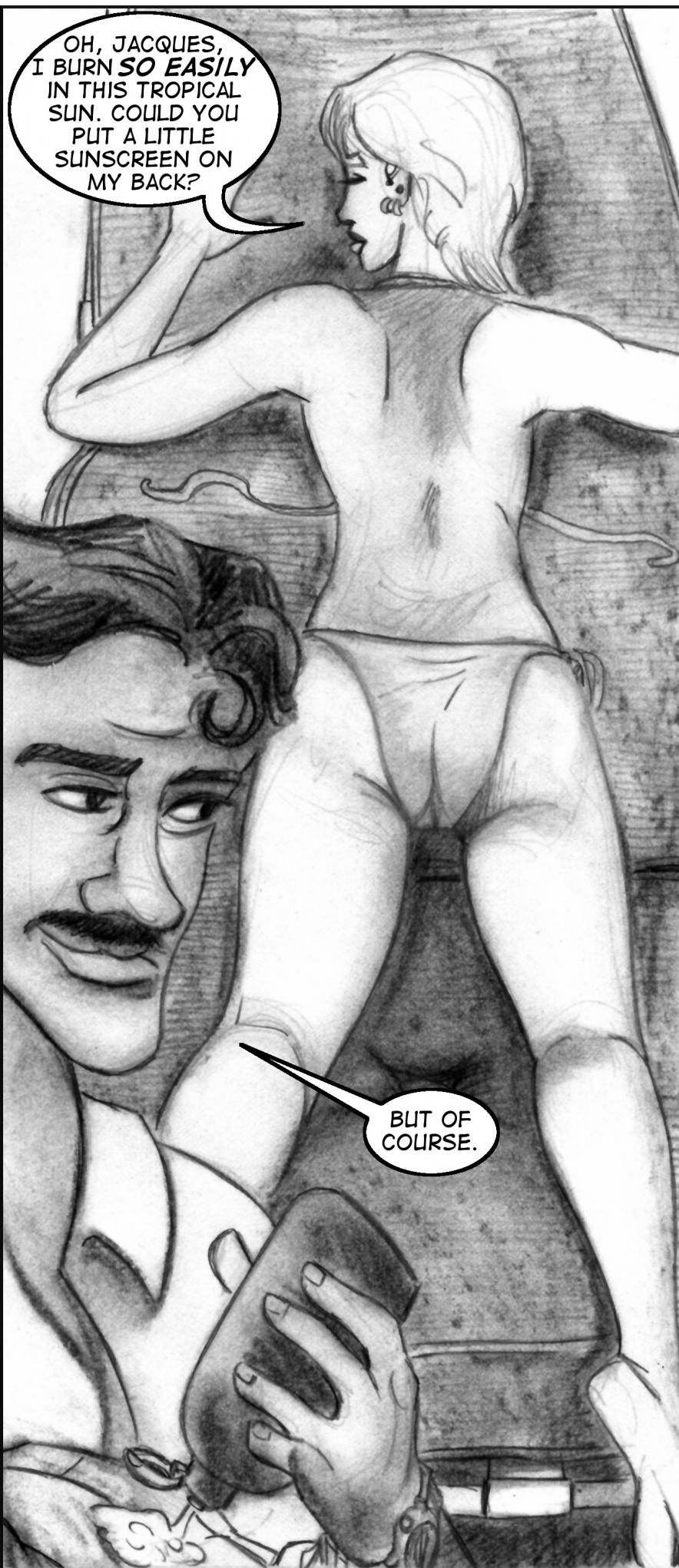


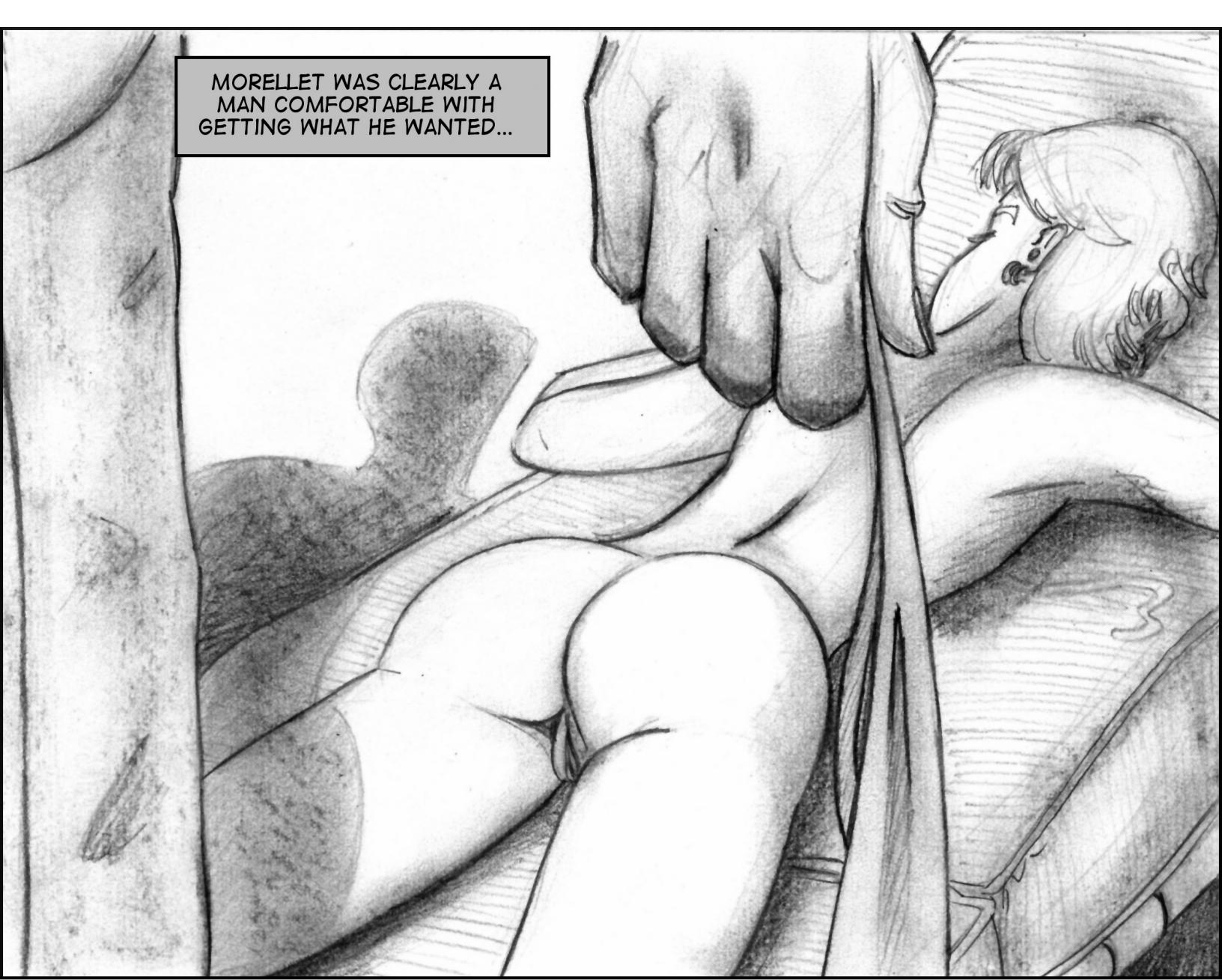
FATHER LOPEZ'S PLAN FOR GETTING ME NEAR EL GENERALISSIMO MEANT MY FIRST GETTING NEAR A FRENCH ARMS DEALER NAMED JACQUES MORRELET, WHO HAD A PENTHOUSE SUITE AT ONE OF MONTE BLANCO'S ELITE TOURIST HOTELS.

MORRELET WAS REPUTEDLY VERY CLOSE WITH THE COUNTRY'S MILITARY LEADERSHIP.

HI! I'M JILL! I WAS HERE LOOKING FOR A POOL BUT THE ONE DOWNSTAIRS IS JUST FULL OF HORRIBLE FAT GERMAN PEOPLE!







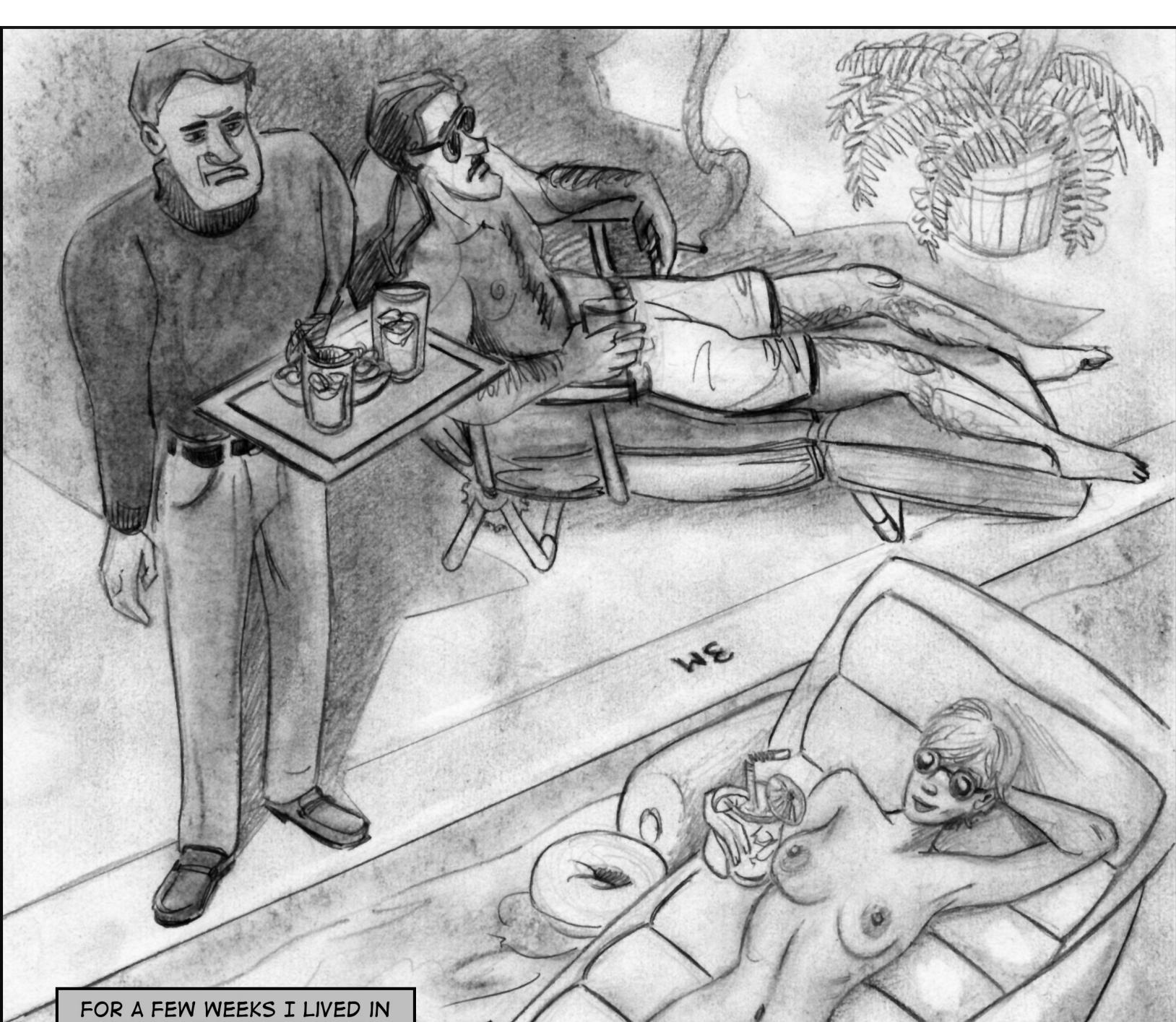
MORELLET WAS CLEARLY A
MAN COMFORTABLE WITH
GETTING WHAT HE WANTED...



...AND NOT USED TO HAVING
TO ASK TO EXPLICITLY.



FORTUNATELY MY "TRAINING" EXTENDED TO BE
ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE HIS *UNUSUAL* DESIRES.



FOR A FEW WEEKS I LIVED IN
LUXURY AS A KEPT WOMAN.

IT WAS ACTUALLY FUN, OR AT LEAST IT WAS
ONCE SUITABLE LUBRICANTS WERE LOCATED.

AND THEN,
ONE DAY...

OH, JACQUES,
IT'S BEAUTIFUL.
BUT WHY... ?

I HAVE BEEN INVITED TO A
FORMAL DINNER WITH HIS
EXCELLENCY EL GENERALISSMO
THIS EVENING. AND I WOULD
LIKE YOU TO BE MY CONSORT.

SO HERE WAS MY MAIN CHANCE.

WILL YOU BE READY
SOON, MA CHERIE?

JUST A FEW
MINUTES MORE...



...DARKNESS FELL...

WHEN I CAME TO I COULD SEE...

EXCELLENT.

SNAP!

...BUT I COULD NOT MOVE.

THE SUBJECT HAS SURVIVED.

I WAS FROZEN IN POSITION.

I AM AFRAID, SEÑORITA,
THAT NOT QUITE **EVERYTHING**
I TOLD YOU WAS TRUE.

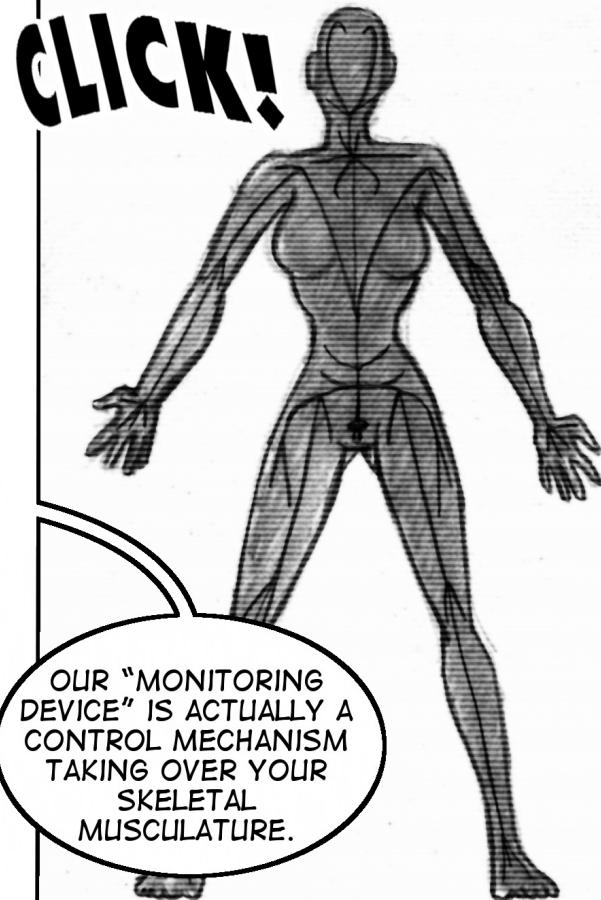
YOUR
TRAINING, FOR
INSTANCE, WAS
NOT STRICTLY
NECESSARY.

CLICK!

THE VIDEO RECORD OF IT,
HOWEVER, WILL BE GOOD FOR THE
MORALE OF OUR TROOPS.

M. MORELET **DOES** HAVE GOOD
ACCESS TO EL GENERALISSIMO, AND OUR
RECORD OF YOUR ACTIVITIES WITH HIM
SHOULD PROVE MOST USEFUL IN FUTURE
NEGOTIATIONS.

SURVEILLANCE CAMERA 6





IT IS ACTUALLY **TRUE** THAT
EL GENERALISSIMO DOES HAVE
A FONDNESS FOR SLENDER
BLOND GRINGA WOMEN.

JUST NOT THE
KIND THAT CAN
TALK BACK...

BEND!

GRRGH!

OR
MOVE!

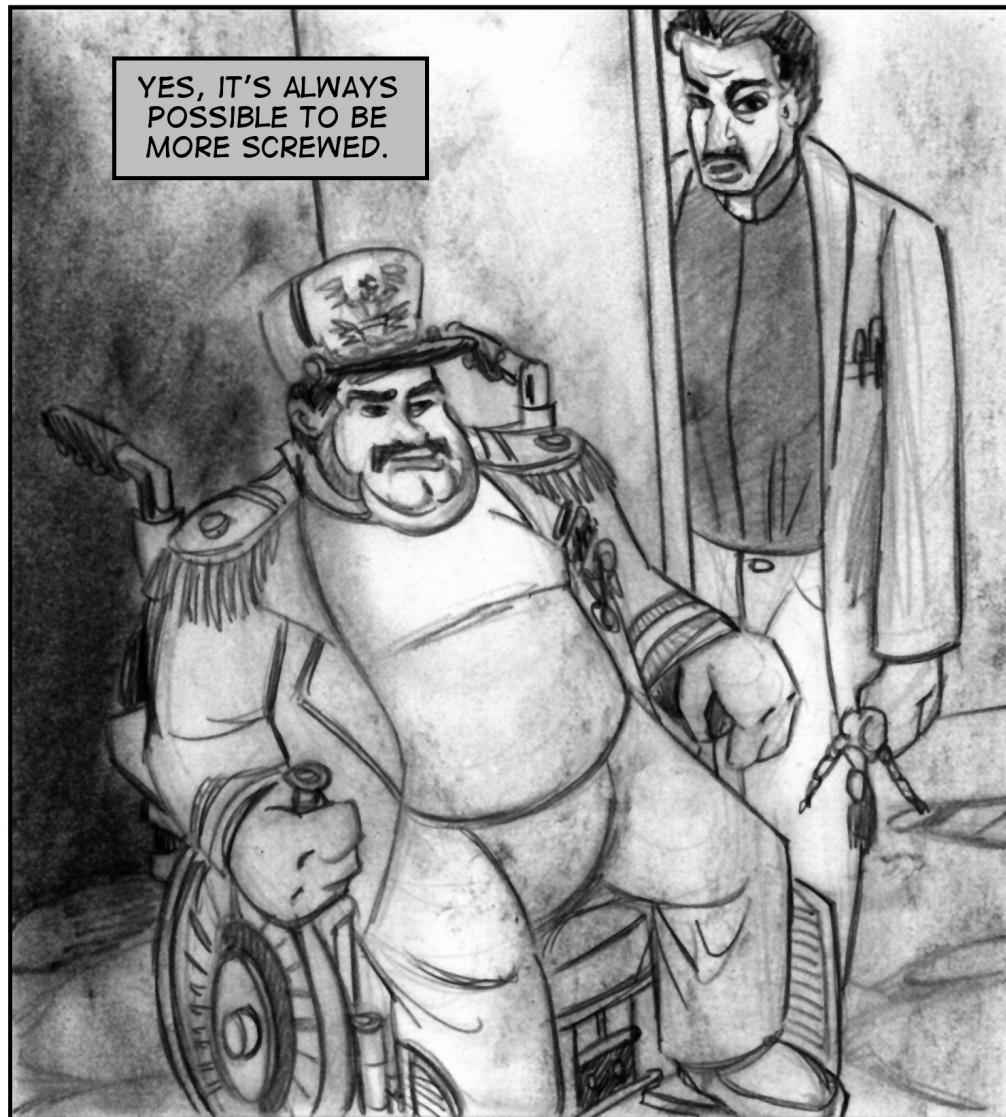
I TELL YOU
ALL THIS
BECAUSE THE
LOOK OF
HELPLESS RAGE
AND FEAR IN
YOUR EYES IS
DELICIOUS!

YES, IT'S ALWAYS
POSSIBLE TO BE
MORE SCREWED.

YOU DO
GET CREDIT
FOR THIS,
THOUGH.



YOU DID GET EL
GENERALISSIMO OUT
OF HIS PALACE.



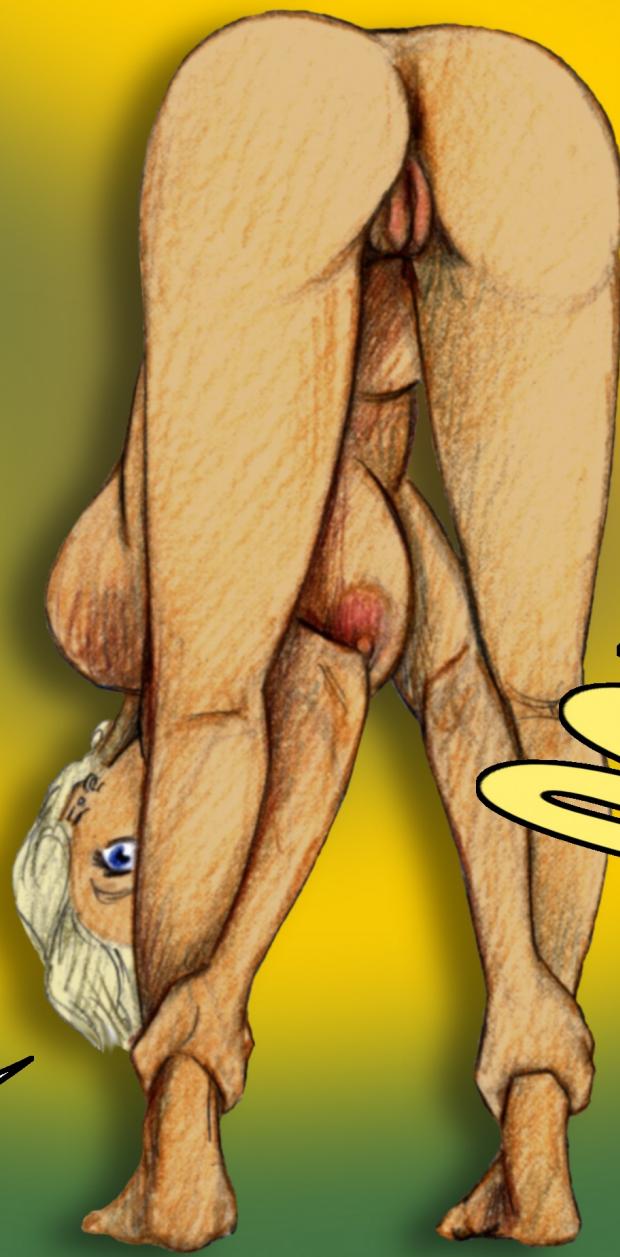
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DE SU NUEVO JUGUETE,
GENERALISSIMO.



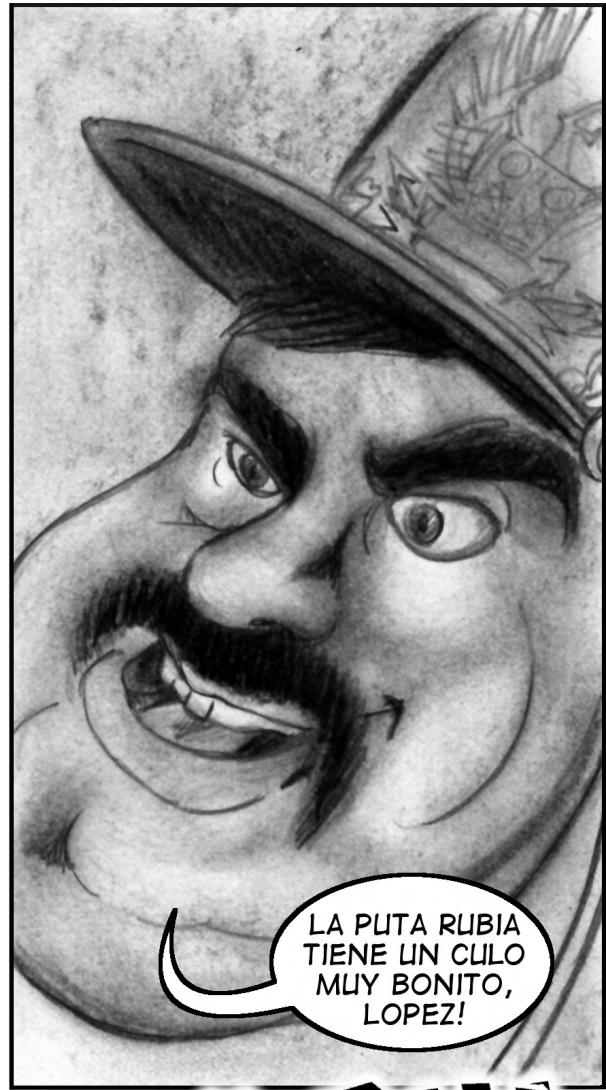
BEND

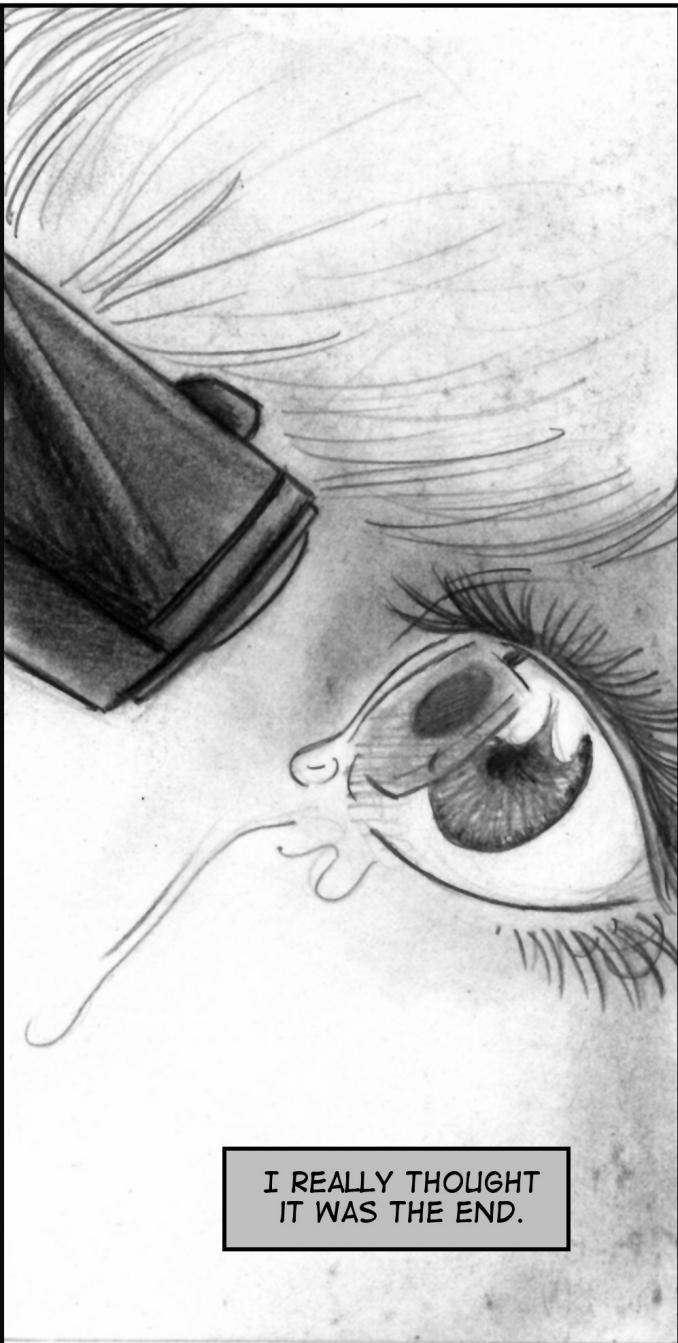


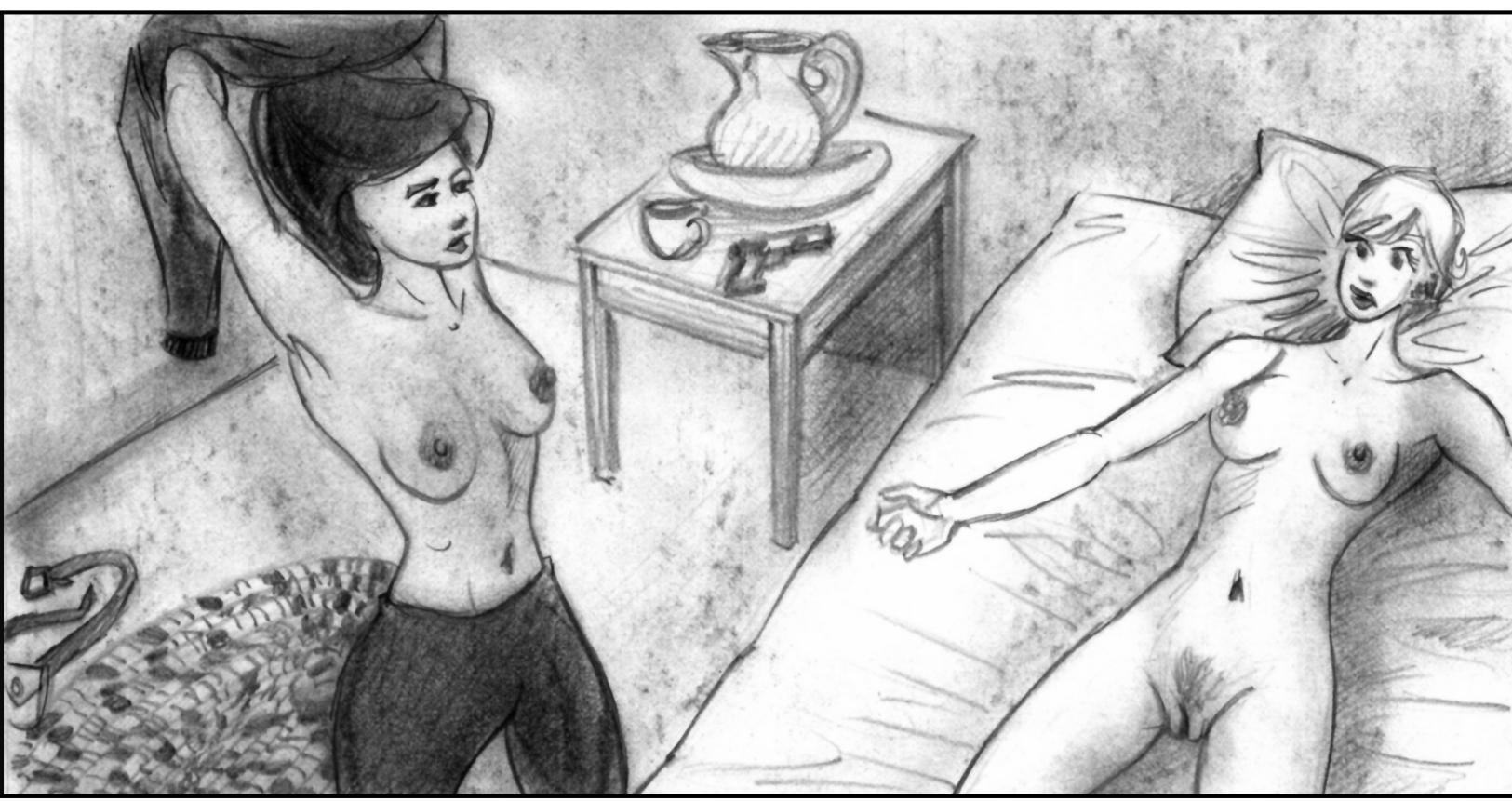
TWIST



STRETCH!

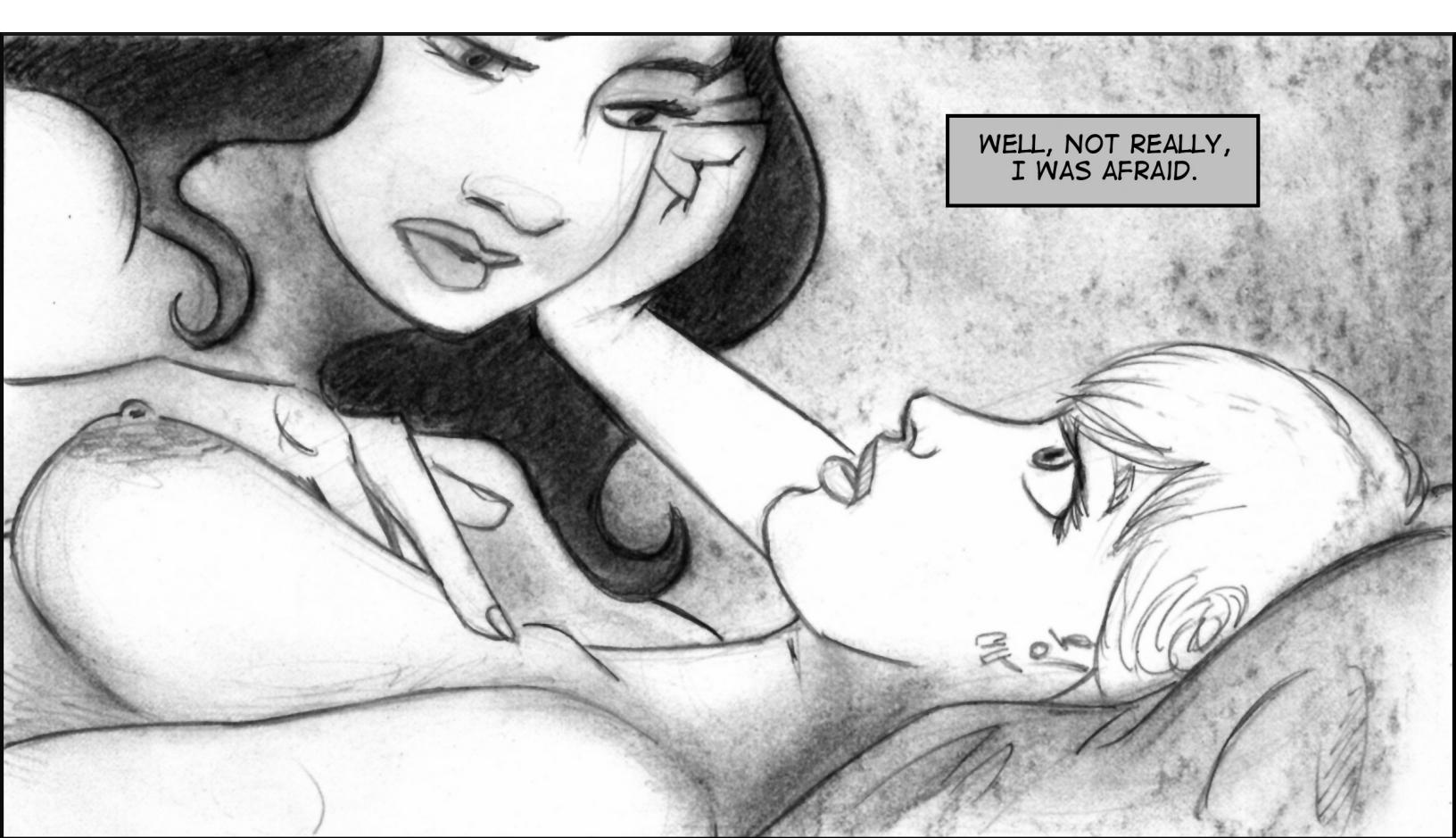




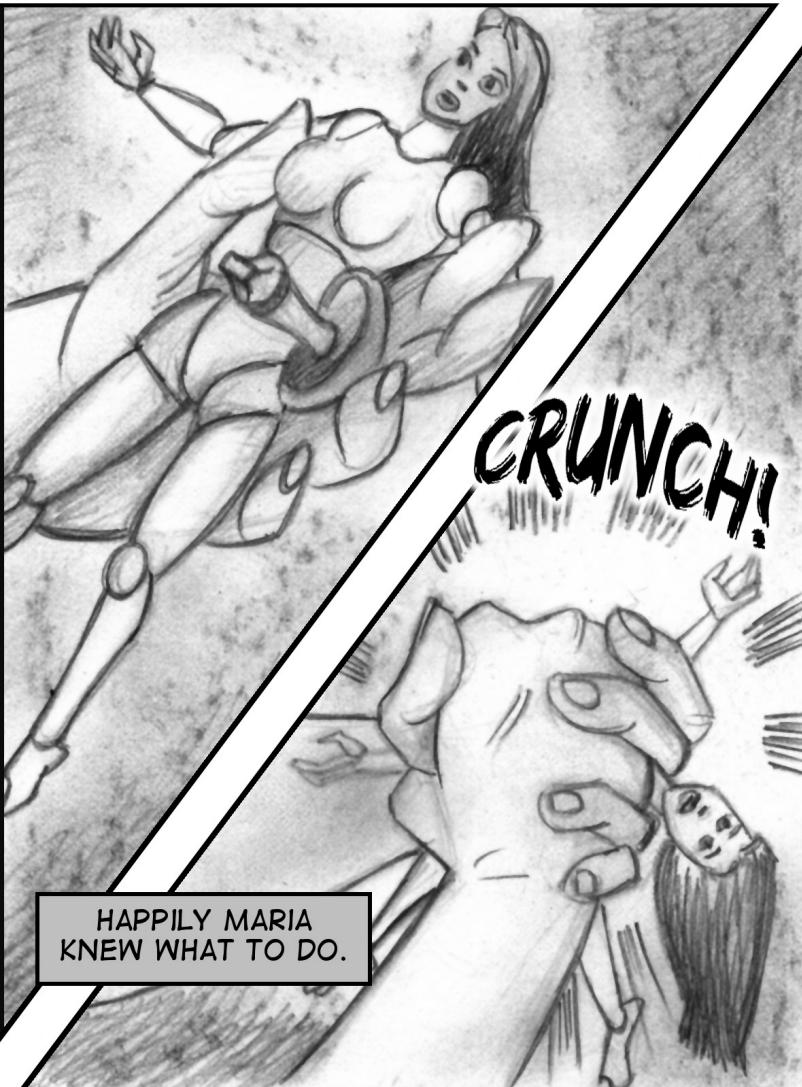


I COULD FEEL HER DESIRE
AND HER PLEASURE JUST
RADIATING INTO ME.

FOR ACTION THAT HOT, IT
WOULD ALMOST BE
WORTHWHILE BEING
TURNED INTO A SEX TOY.



WELL, NOT REALLY,
I WAS AFRAID.



LIEUTENANT!
IN HERE!

MONTE BLANCO'S
HEAD OF STATE HAS BEEN
ASSASSINATED, MISS. WE'RE
EVACUATING U.S. CITIZENS
AND GOT A TIP YOU
WERE HERE.

YOU HANG IN THERE.
YOU'RE GOING TO BE
JUST FINE.

AND STRANGELY, I WAS.
THE DOCTORS NEVER
FOUND ANYTHING OUT
OF THE ORDINARY.

DON'T YOU
FEEL SORT OF...
TRAUMATIZED?

I FEEL SURPRISINGLY
OKAY...LIKE IT WAS JUST
MY OWN ADVENTURE.

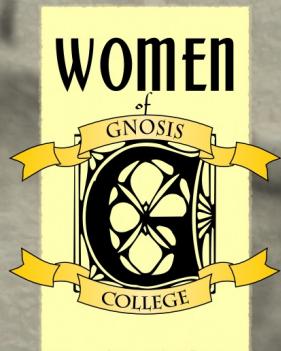
AND I HAVE REALLY
FOND MEMORIES OF
THE GIRL-ON-GIRL
STUFF.

IS IT JUST ME,
OR IS GETTING A
LITTLE HOT IN
HERE?

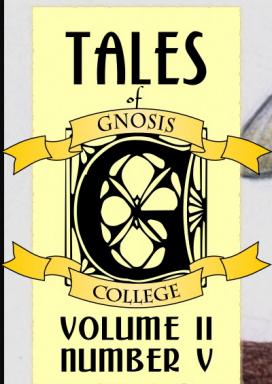
SO DO I WIN? I MEAN, I DID
WALK RIGHT UP TO THE LINE
BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH...

YOU MIGHT HAVE
WALKED UP TO
THAT LINE, JILL.

BUT I
HAVE A
STORY OF
GOING
HEADLONG
OVER IT...

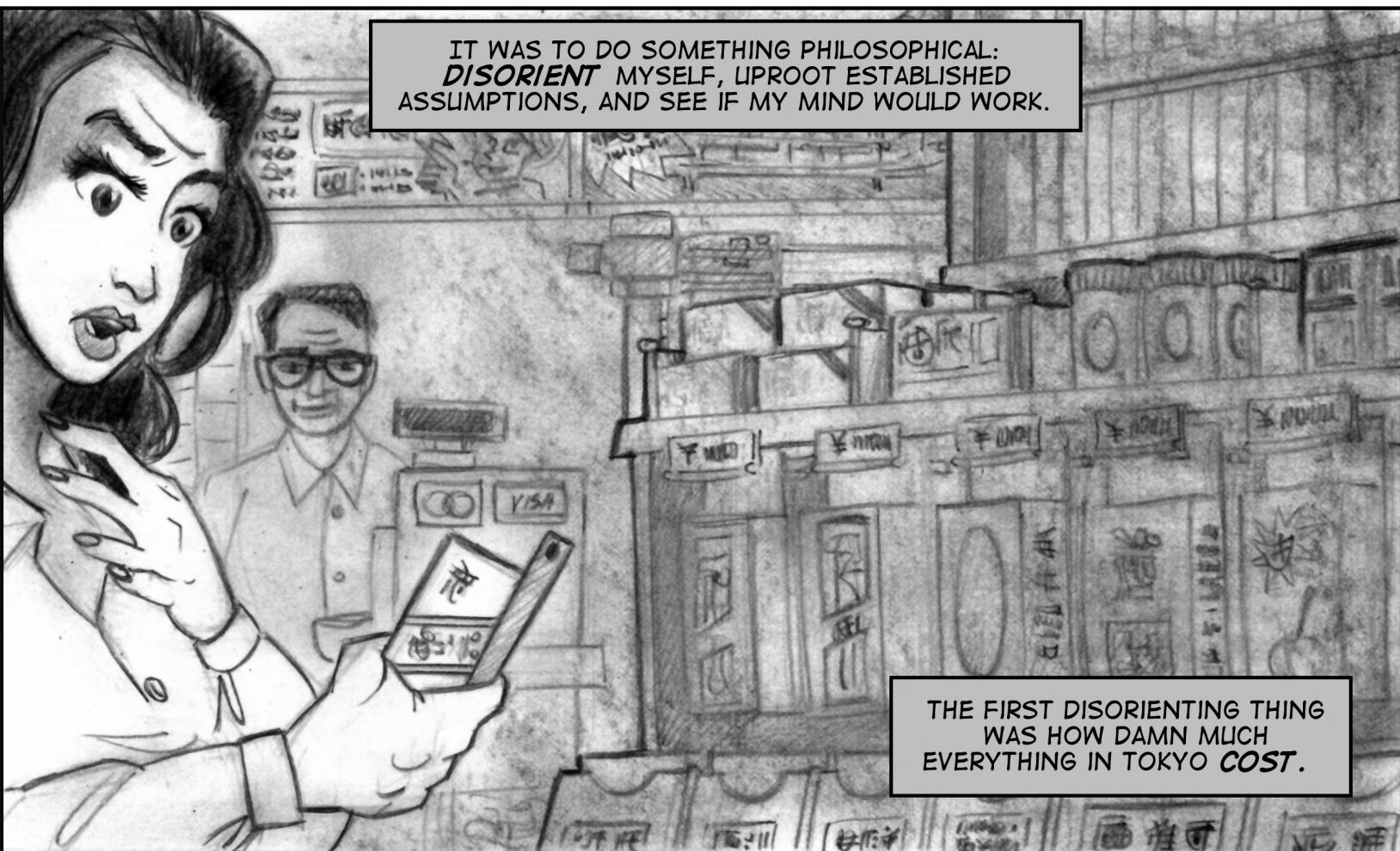


A SCHOLAR AND AN ATHLETE, GNOSIS STUDENT JILL KEENEY KNOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF HARD TRAINING FOR SUCCESS. AND AS A HEROIC DEFENDER OF DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS, SHE WILL FACE ANY CHALLENGE AND BEAR ANY BURDEN. AND THUS...



STUDY ABROAD

Dinner (and an Epilogue)



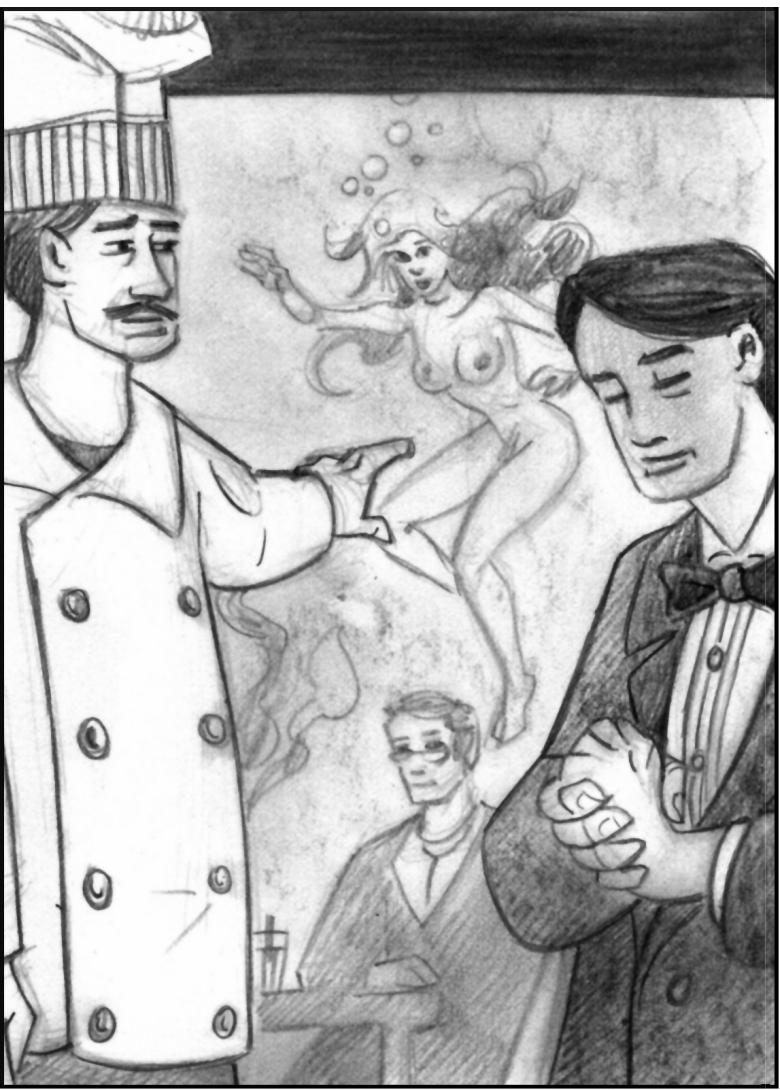
"NEEDING FUNDS, I TOOK
A JOB IN A RESTAURANT."

THAT DOESN'T SOUND
ALL THAT LUCRATIVE.

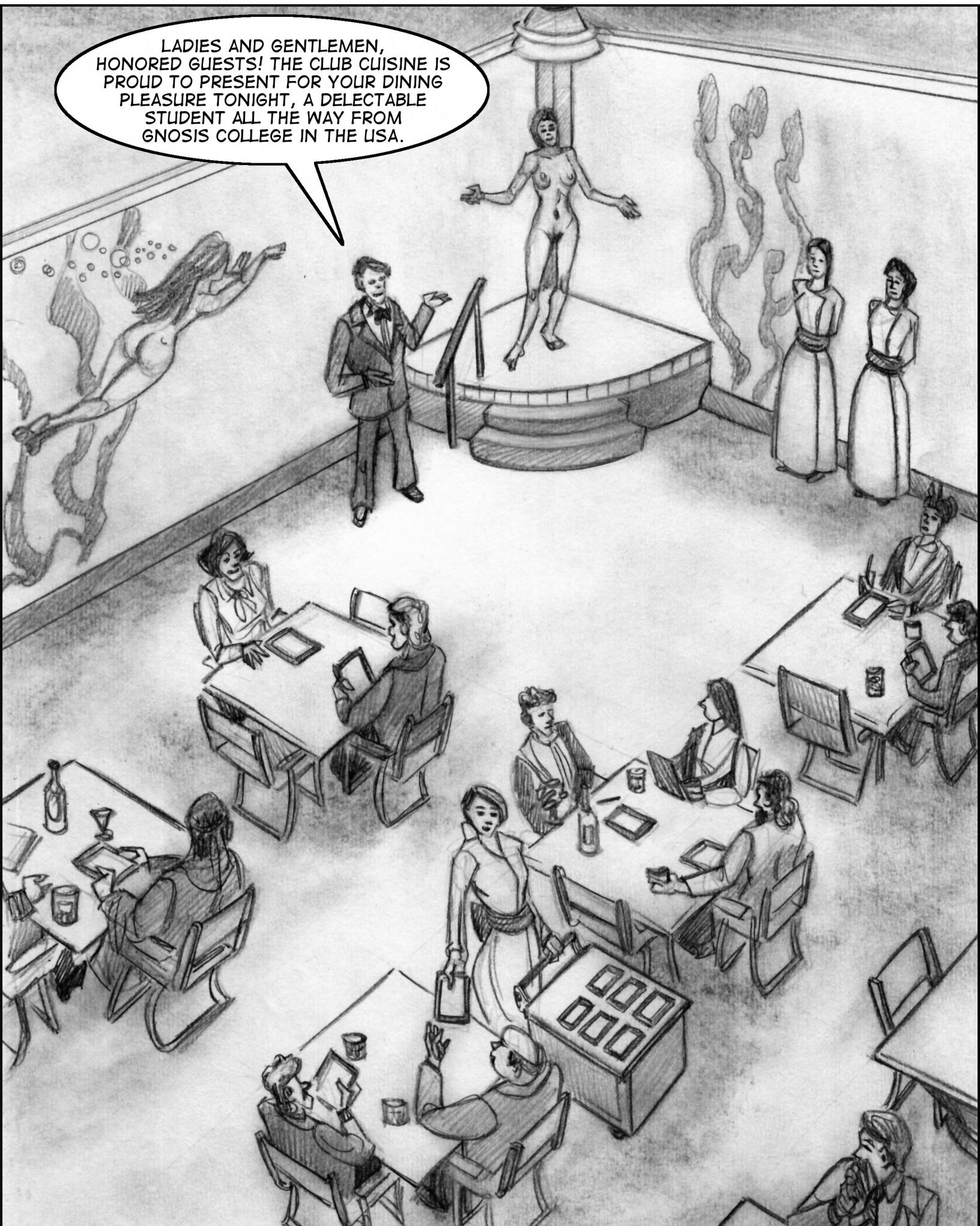
"STUDY ABROAD"
CHAPTER 5

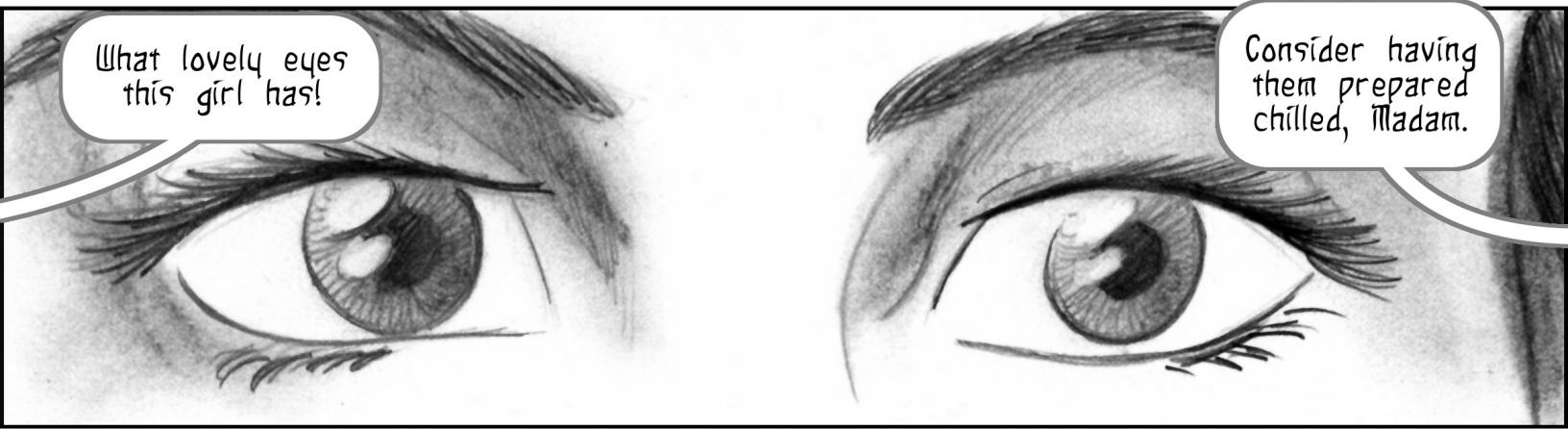
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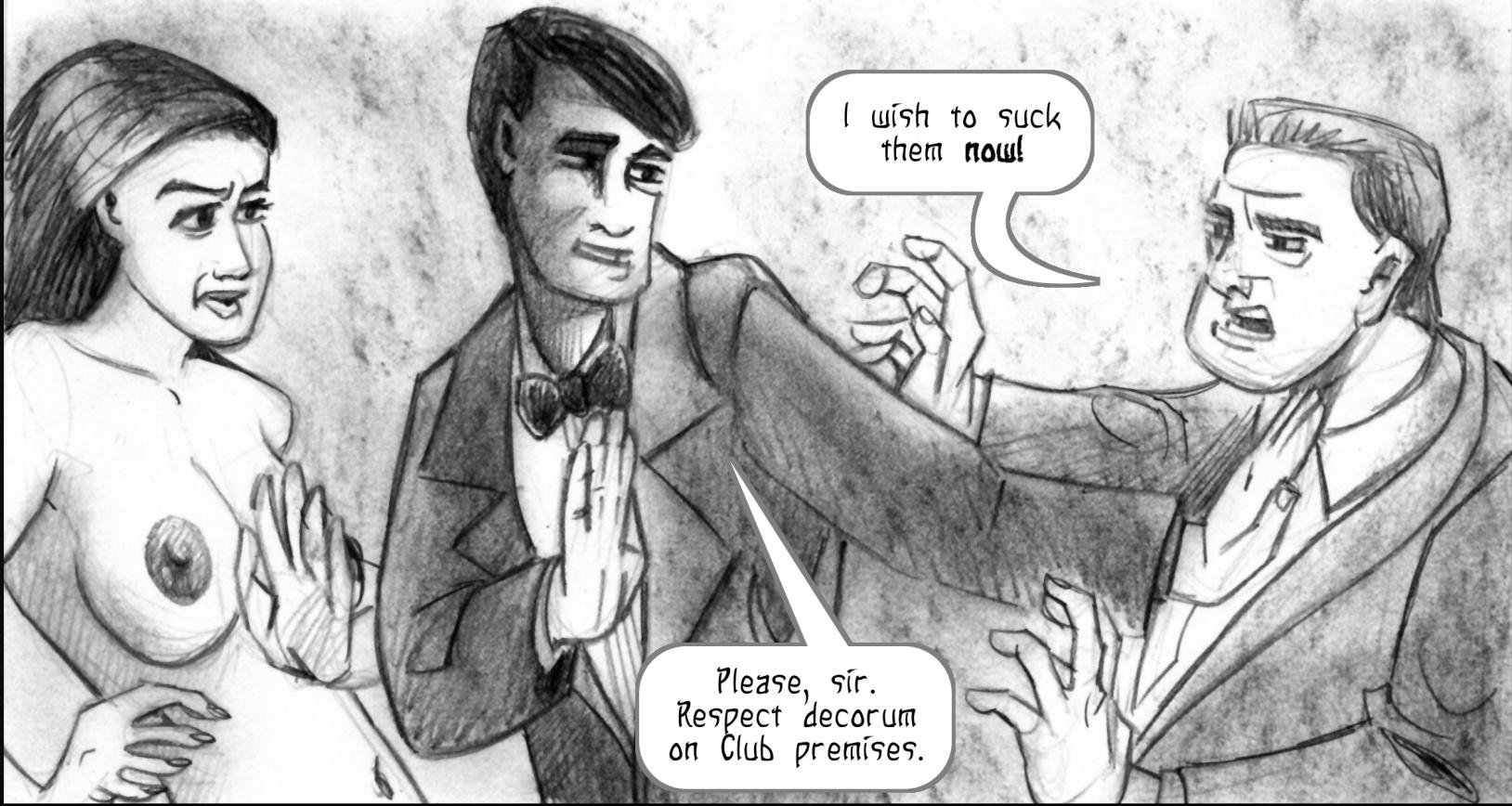
IT WAS A MOST
UNUSUAL
RESTAURANT.



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
HONORED GUESTS! THE CLUB CUISINE IS
PROUD TO PRESENT FOR YOUR DINING
PLEASURE TONIGHT, A DELECTABLE
STUDENT ALL THE WAY FROM
GNOSIS COLLEGE IN THE USA.





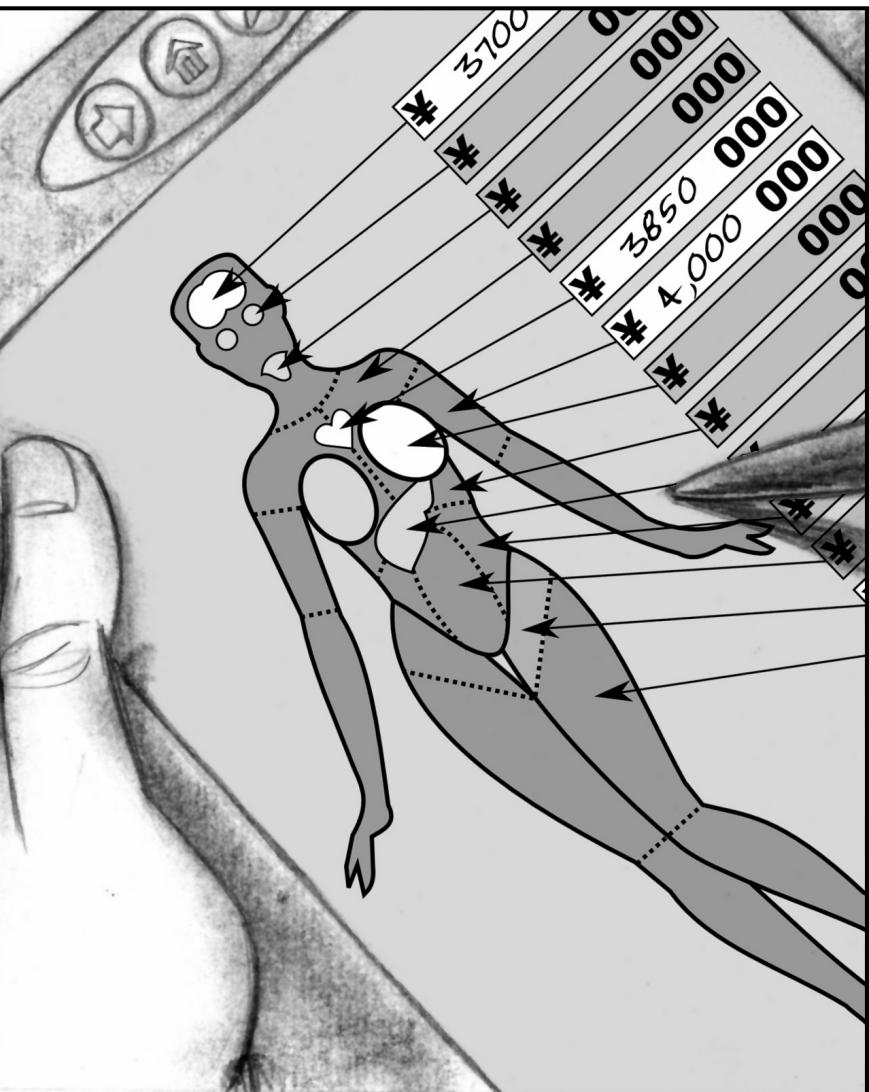




Ladies and gentlemen, it is an honor to serve as your dinner tonight.



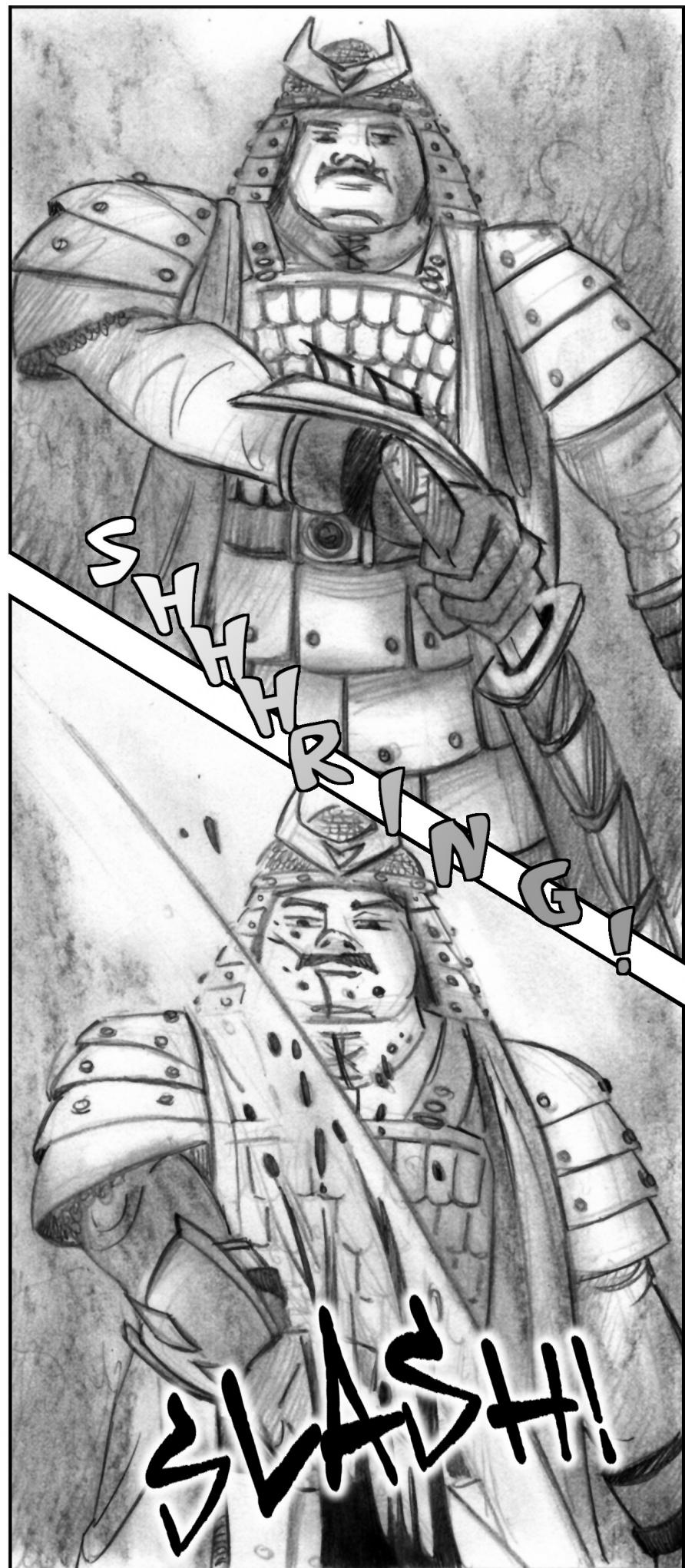
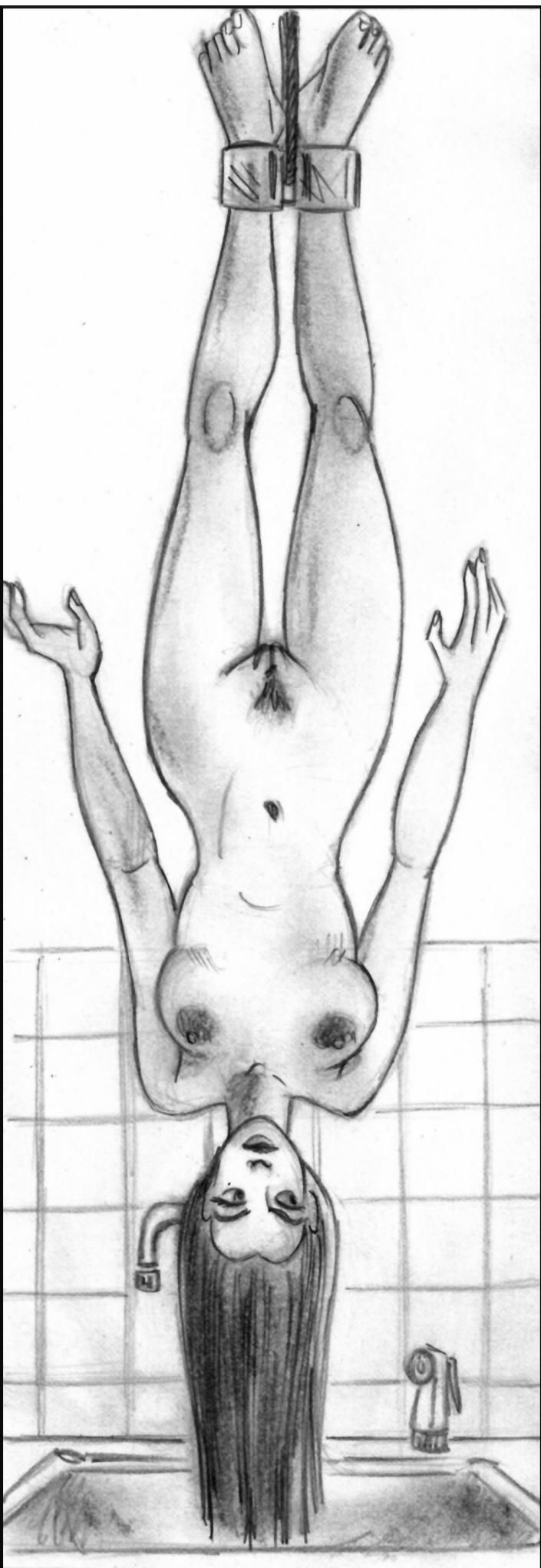
And with that,
please place
your bids.





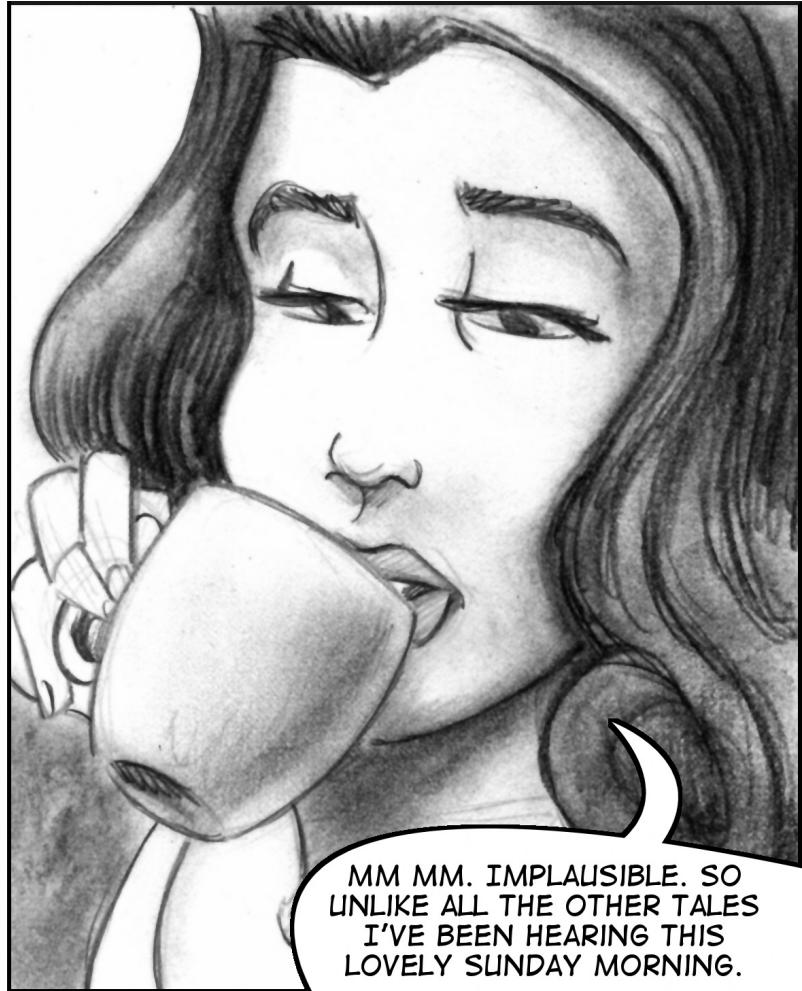
Auction closing in 3...
2... and the results on
your pads, Ladies and
Gentlemen!

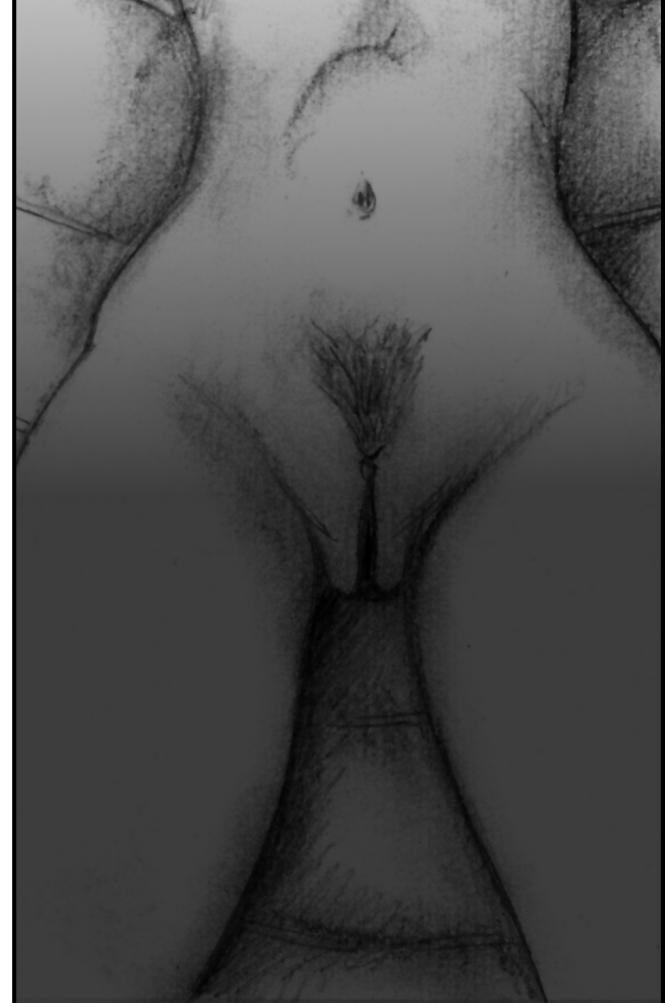
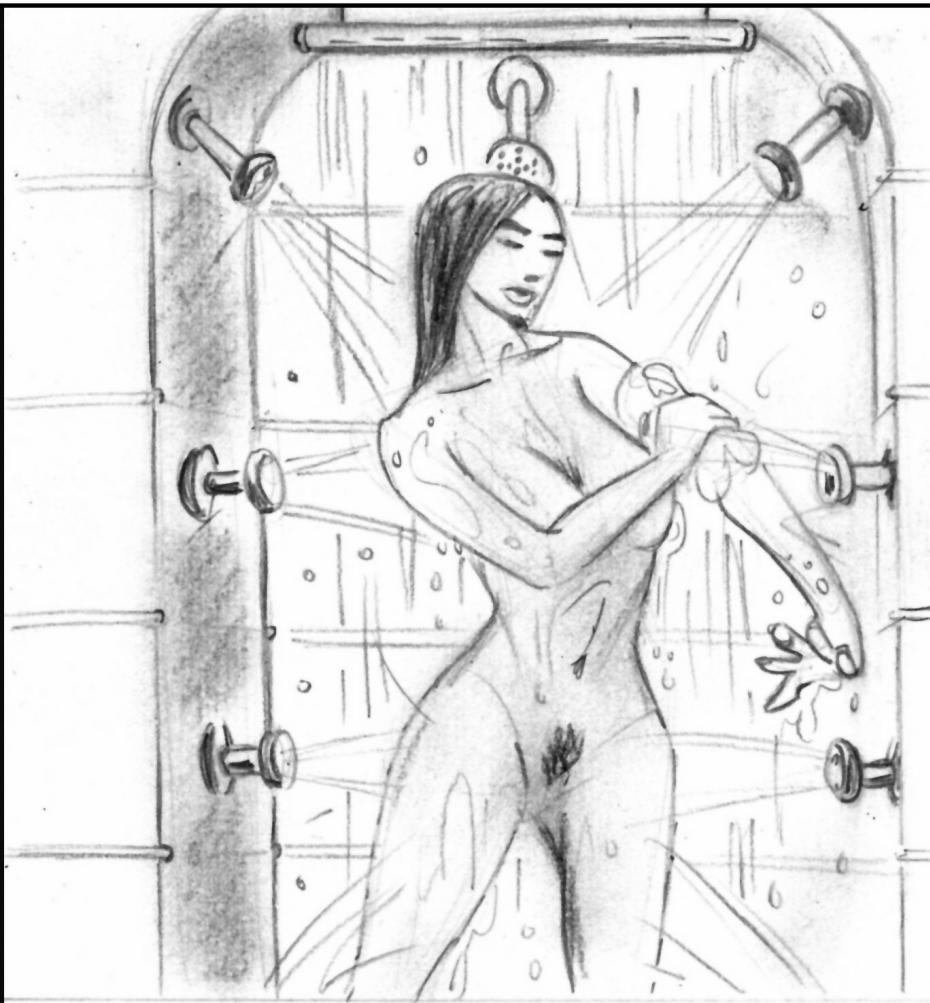
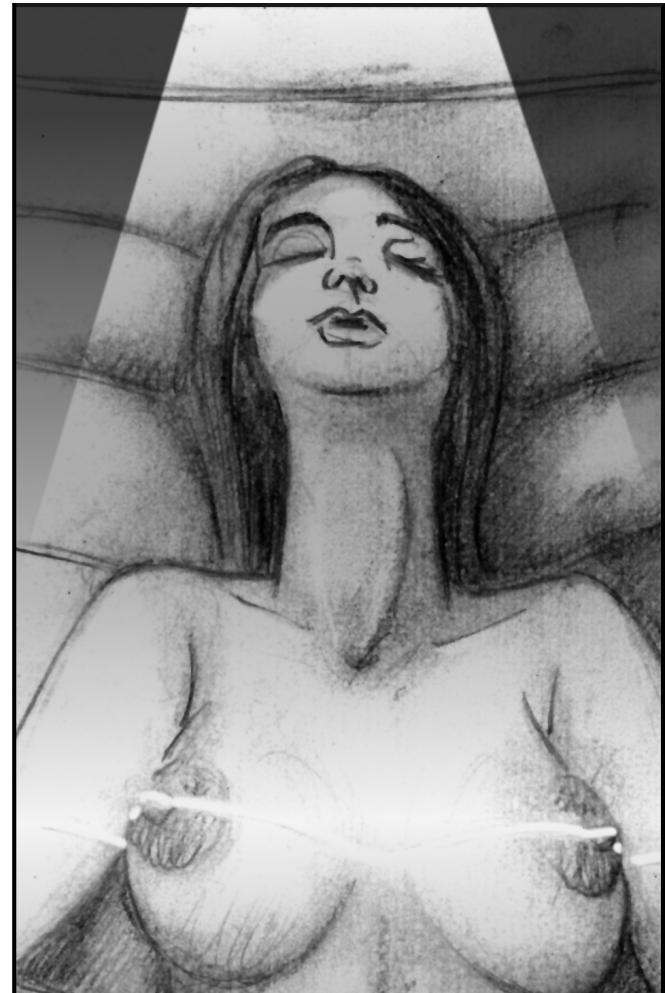


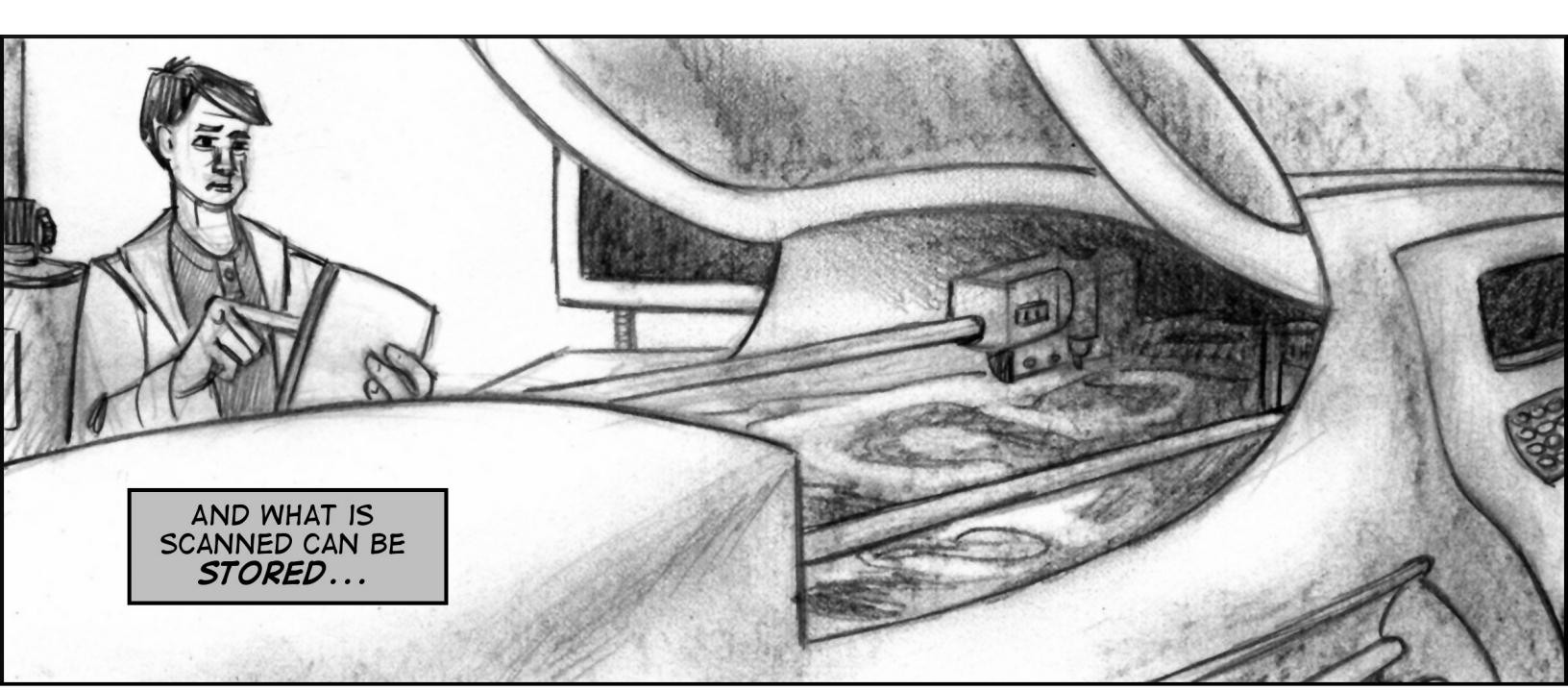




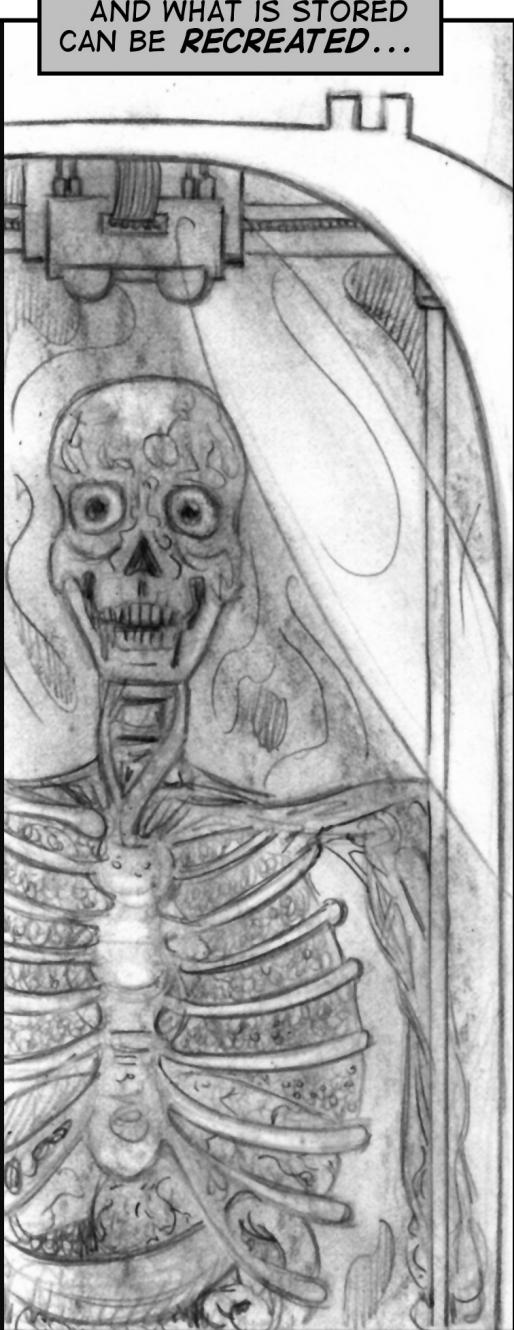








AND WHAT IS
SCANNED CAN BE
STORED...



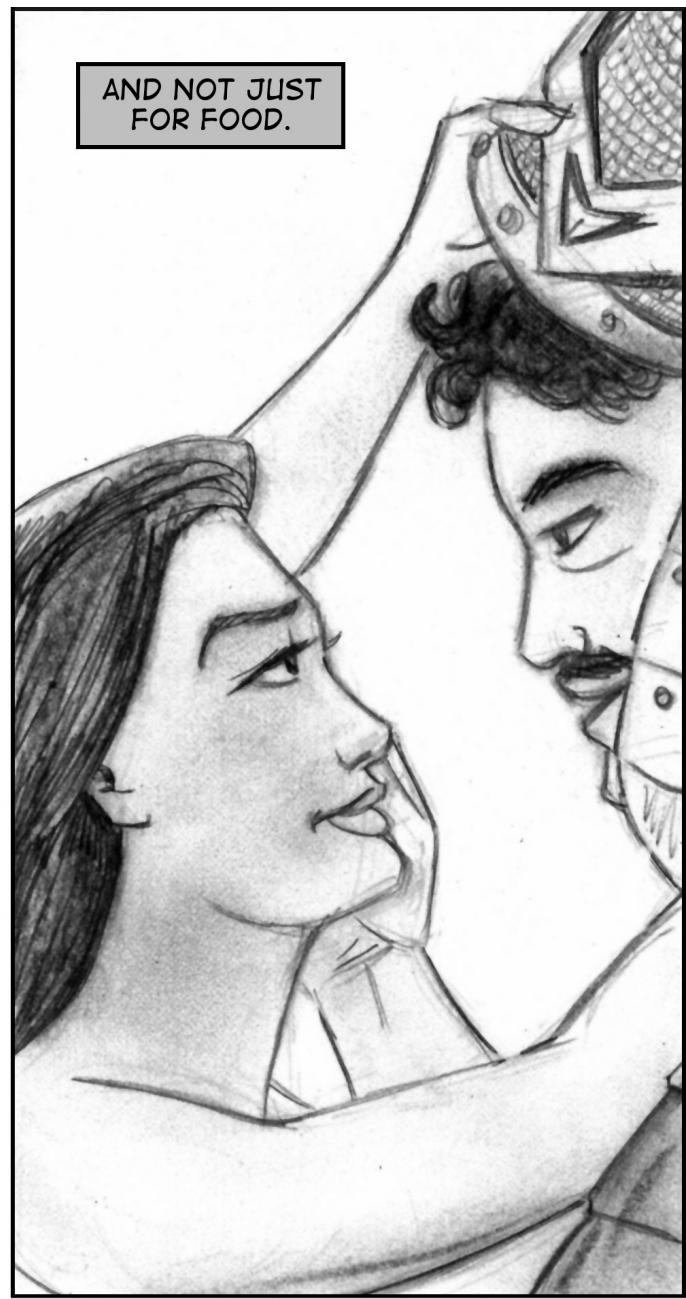
AND WHAT IS STORED
CAN BE **RECREATED...**



ALL YOU NEED IS A
SOPHISTICATED-
ENOUGH **PRINTER.**



AND NO ONE WILL KNOW
THAT THE COPY IS A COPY.
NOT EVEN THE COPY.



THIS STILL MAKES
NO SENSE.

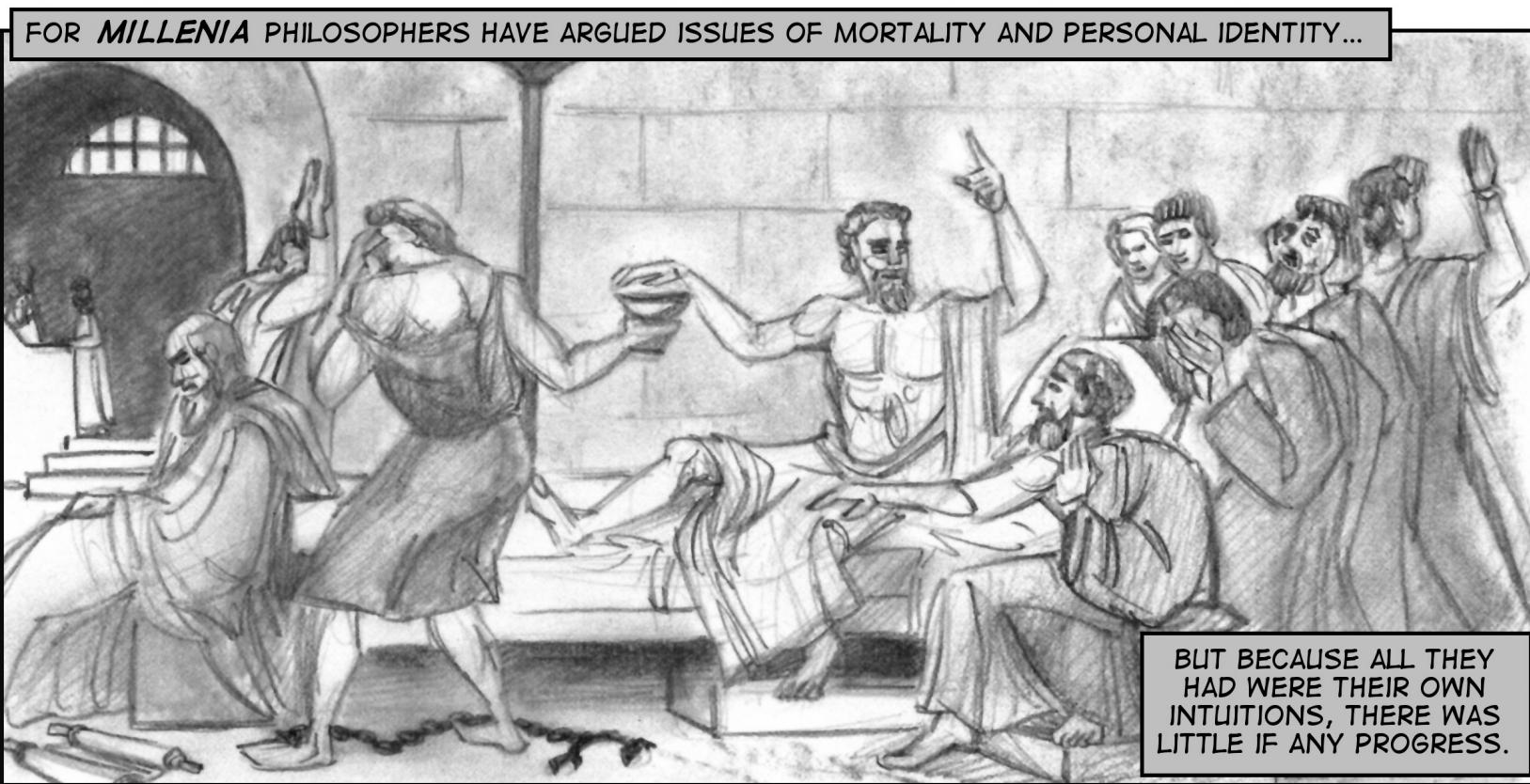
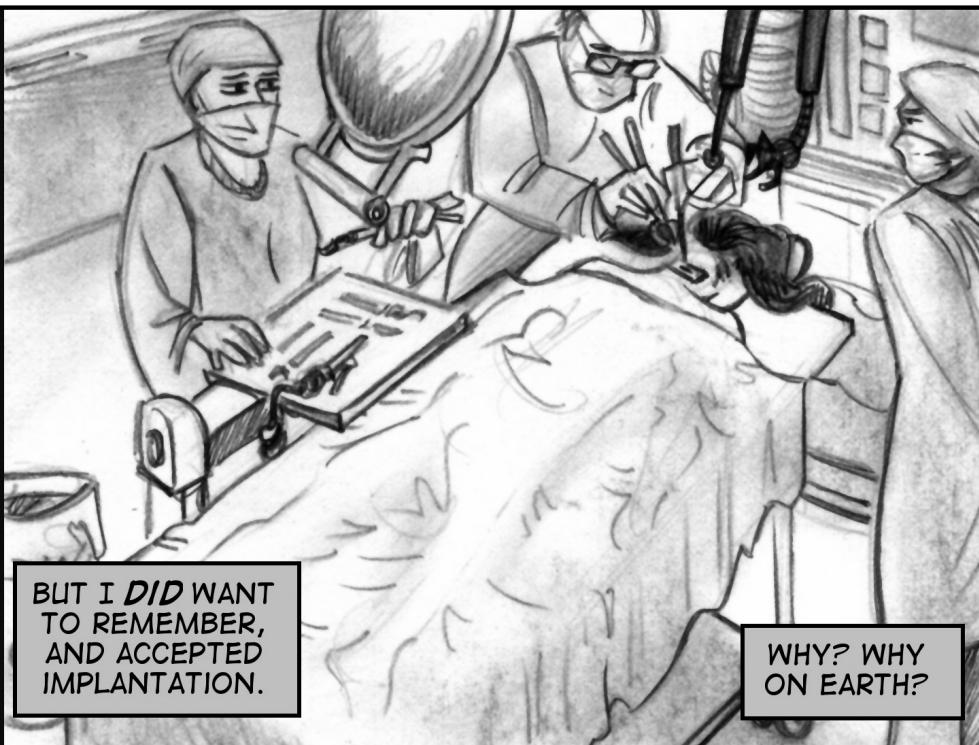
HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY HAVE
MEMORIES OF WHAT HAPPENED IN THE
CLUB CUISINE IF YOU'RE A **COPY** MADE
BEFORE THE EVENTS?

WITH A TINY TRANSMITTER IT IS POSSIBLE TO
RECORD AND TRANSMIT ONE'S SENSORY INPUT.

THIS INPUT CAN THEN BE
INTEGRATED AND RESIMULATED
PRIOR TO RECONSTITUTION.



MOST OF THE
GIRLS DIDN'T
WANT TO
REMEMBER
THEIR
EXPERIENCES.





IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY DAVID HUME PROPOSED THAT WE COULD MOVE FORWARD BY TURNING PHILOSOPHY INTO AN *EXPERIMENTAL* DISCIPLINE.

BUT ONLY NOW DO WE HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY TO ACTUALLY *ATTEMPT* EXPERIMENTS.

ON SOME VIEWS OF PERSONAL IDENTITY, IRIS BROCKMAN *DIED* IN THE CLUB CUISINE.

BUT I HAVE THE TESTIMONIES OF MY MEMORY AND MY SENSES, AND I SAY THAT I AM STILL ME AND STILL ALIVE.



CHECK,
LADIES.

GUEST
CHECK

I GUESS YOU ALL WILL
BE GETTING THAT.

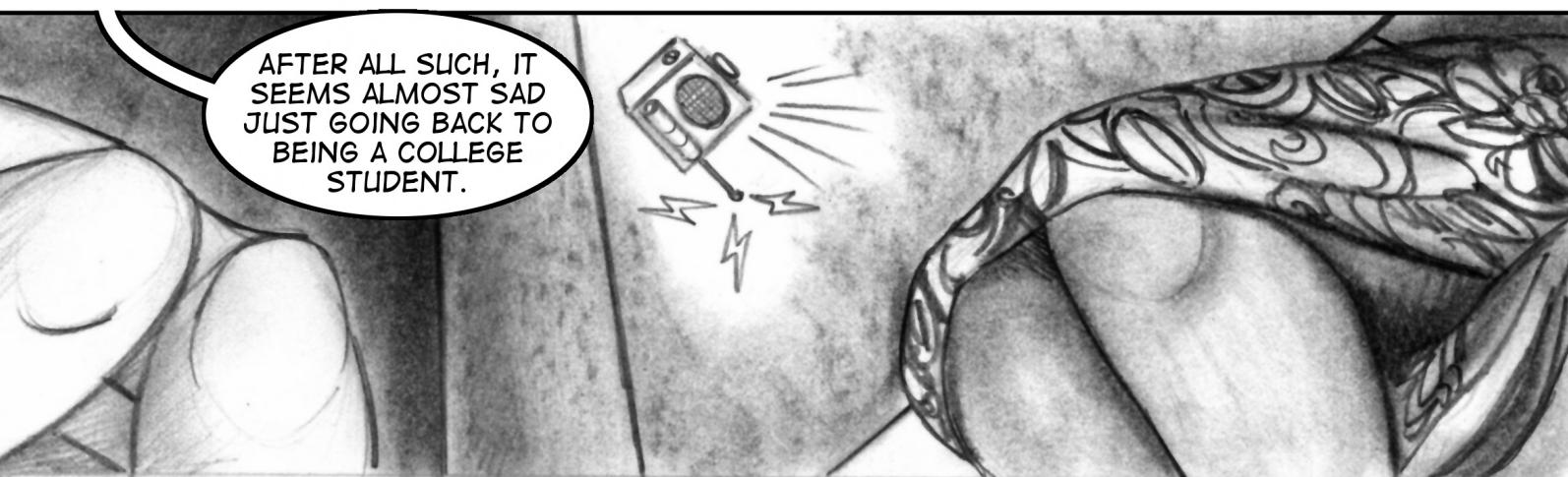
IRIS, I HAVE TO ASK...

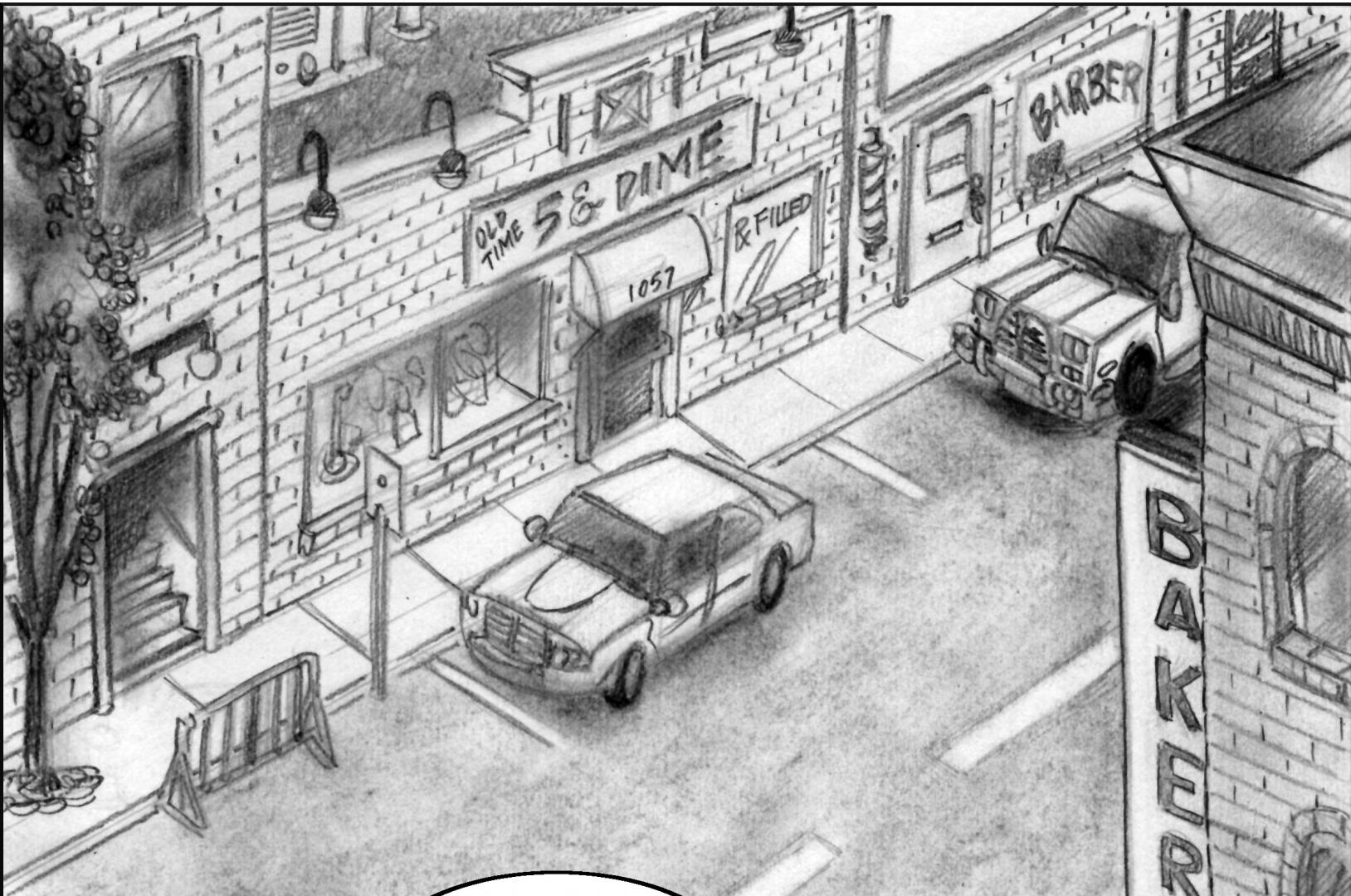
...ABOUT THAT
UNDISCOVERED
COUNTRY?

IT TURNS OUT THAT
SCHOPENHAUER WAS RIGHT.

IT IS IN FACT
DIE RUHE DES NICHTS.

AFTER ALL SUCH, IT
SEEMS ALMOST SAD
JUST GOING BACK TO
BEING A COLLEGE
STUDENT.



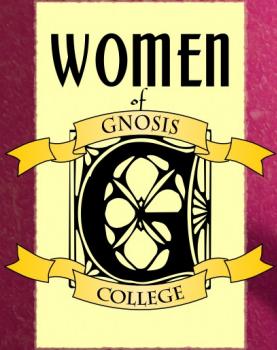


NEVER MIND, LADIES.
I AM SURE THERE ARE
PLENTY OF ADVENTURES
COMING IN THE
YEAR AHEAD.

THIS INPUT CAN THEN BE
INTEGRATED AND
RESIMULATED PRIOR TO
RECONSTITUTION.

EUREKA!





TO SLEEP: PERCHANCE TO DREAM:
AY, THERE'S THE RUB;
FOR IN THAT SLEEP OF DEATH
WHAT DREAMS MAY COME
WHEN WE HAVE SHUFFLED OFF
THIS MORTAL COIL,
MUST GIVE US PAUSE...